May 7, 1940

Mrs. Frank W. Forbes
12 High Street
Westborugh, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Forbes:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $25.00. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars will bring great joy to some worthy boy or girl who is struggling to complete his or her work here this year. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. We are so grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

May 8, 1940.

Mr. W. B. Spofford, Secretary,
The Bishop Robert L. Paddock Estate,
135 Liberty Street,
New York, New York.

My dear Mr. Spofford:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to the trustees of the Bishop Robert L. Paddock Estate, and to you, for the generous check for two hundred dollars, which has brought so much relief to our maintenance needs at this time. We enclose official receipt for this gift.

I recall you with pleasure and interest. I am so happy to know of your connection with the Estate of noble Bishop Paddock. God bless you for the interest you have used in our behalf.

Bethune-Cookman goes forward but we find the struggle for funds a grave problem. You can realize, therefore, just what it means to receive gifts such as the one you have directed to us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 8, 1939.

Mrs. Henry Alvah Strong,
Hay-Adams House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Strong:

We have just received your most generous contribution of five hundred dollars, sent in response to our March 30th appeal to you. Please, my dear friend, permit me to express the deepest gratitude of both students and teachers of our institution, for this manifestation of your interest and confidence. This gift brings so much relief to our maintenance needs at this time. I just want to say, out of the depths of my heart - "God bless you."

We enclose official receipt for this contribution. We pray that both you and your secretary are fully recovered from your illness and that you will realize that blessings you have bestowed upon us by your contribution. May your blessings be multiplied as a result of your goodness to others.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 9, 1940

Miss Helen Turner
6095 Stanford
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Miss Turner:

May I thank you for your beautiful letter and for your honest desire to continue your education in order that you may be prepared to serve humanity. I admire your spirit and hope you will be able to accomplish what you have in mind. Well prepared Home Economics teachers are being called for now more than ever before. If you go ahead and prepare yourself your opportunity will come for service.

If you do not have the necessary funds to continue your education, I suggest that you make application to the President of whatever school you desire to attend for some type of aid. You may ask to be considered on the student aid list for 1940-41. If NYA or Industrial scholarship aid is available, I feel sure you will be given every possible consideration.

With best wishes for your success,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 13, 1940.

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Mr. Verman Kimbrough, President,
Ringling School of Art,
Sarasota, Florida.

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

Miss Laetitia E. Williams, Instructor in Public School and Fine Arts in Bethune-Cookman College, would like very much to bring her class of about thirty students to visit the Ringling School of Art on Thursday, May 16, 1940.

You will recall that a group of our students visited your school last year and received great inspiration. Miss Williams is very eager for this year's group to receive the same inspiration.

If the date as indicated is satisfactory for the visit, kindly let us know by collect telegram.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bowers

May 21, 1940.

Mrs. Lionel Hampton,
1127½ East Tenth Street,

Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mrs. Hampton:

We have just received through Mrs. Florence K. Norman, gifts of $25.00 from Mr. John T. Vidal and $10.00 from Mr. H. T. Morgan, respectively.

May we express our deep gratitude to you, Mrs. Hampton, for the use of your influence in stimulating interest in and help for Bethune-Cookman College. These gifts, which have been credited toward budget maintenance, are so helpful at this time. Mrs. Bethune is greatly encouraged because of them. We are writing to Mr. Vidal and to Mr. Morgan, sending them official receipts and expressing the gratitude of the College for their new friendship for our work.

Mrs. Bethune is still in Johns Hopkins Hospital but is improving so rapidly that she expects to be released by the end of the month. We are so happy to know that she has made such a splendid recovery. The many friends she has everywhere have been so marvellous to her during her illness.

Again, may we thank you for these gifts which have come in through your influence, and for all that you are doing for us on the West Coast.

Sincerely yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Bertha L. Mitchell, College Secretary.

May 25, 1940.

Mrs. Marjorie B. Emmons
State Supervisor,
Statewide Library Project,
Works Progress Administration,
49 West Duval Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Emmons:

We talked with Mrs. Dale last week, and expressed to her the sincere appreciation of our Institution for the service rendered Bethune-Cookman College in the Book Repair project.

We send this note to express our appreciation to you for making her services possible. This work has been of greatest possible help to our Institution and to the individuals who have participated in it. It would mean so much to us to have the Project continue throughout the Summer Session, which opens June 3rd and closes July 20th. Students of the summer session would welcome this type of instruction, for many of them teach in small schools where the libraries need just such repairs as Mrs. Dale is teaching students to make here. Mrs. Dale would be able to help us as she is doing now, and we have material already on hand to continue the work.

We are sincerely requesting your consideration of the continuance of the Library Book Repair Service during the summer school.

May we hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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June 1, 1940

Mr. Howard W. Oxley
Director of CCC Camp
U. S. Office of Education
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Oxley;

Thank you for your letter of May 28 and for the list of institutions which indicates the extent to which colleges and universities granted scholarships or other financial aid to CCC men during the school year 1939-40.

I am glad to know that this type of encouragement to CCC men enabled a total of 564 men to pursue higher training. You may have your representative to send in his recommendations for deserving enrollees. We shall be glad to renew the aid next fall and and will help as many new enrollees as possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 5, 1940

Mr. John A. Bur-Ton
2946 Sacremento Street
Berkley, California

Dear Mr. But-Ton;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $10.00. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars toward maintenance, sent to us through Mrs. Norman, brings great relief to the College at this time. We are so happy to have new friends and new supporters during these strenuous days. Your help and influence means so much to us.

Please know that we are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 5, 1940

Mr. George W. Engram
587 Second Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Engram:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your checks in the amount of $2.50 each, for the student making the highest average in College Science Courses during the year.

The announcement and award of this prize have been a great stimulus to our students and Faculty members. Miss Barbara Bond is the winner of your prize this year.

We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 10, 1940

Mrs. Sadie C. Jones
R. 1, Box 172
Plant City, Florida

My dear Mrs. Jones:

Your letter of May 15 to Mrs. Roosevelt asking for some help to attend summer school has been placed on my desk.

I am writing now to say that if you have not already made provision for your summer school work, you may go to Bethune-Cookman College for the summer school and we will permit you to pay your bill when you are able to do so. We shall be very glad to allow you to do this in order that you might better prepare yourself for your work.

I am sending a letter to our Business Manager at the College, Mrs. Berthe L. Mitchell, advising her of this decision. Summer school has already opened and you will be a little late. I would advise you to rush.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

BETHUNE:AD

June 17, 1940

Miss Robena White
Route 3, Box 357
Statesville, North Carolina

Dear Miss White:

Thank you for your letter of June 11 stating your desire to continue your education.

I suggest that you make application for NYA aid to the President of whatever school you decide to attend. If NYA aid is not available ask to be considered for Industrial aid, where you can work a year and enter school the next year. You should do this immediately in order that you may be considered for work or NYA aid in the 1940-41 term.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 18, 1940

Mrs. Alice Butler
1914 Diamond Street

San Francisco, California.

My dear Mrs. Butler,

As a result of the friendship and interest of Mrs. Emma E. Goodman, of San Francisco, we have receifed gifts of Books for our Library, through the medium of a unique "Book Drive for Bethune-Cookman", from friends all over the country.

We have received the shipment of fiction and reference books you have sent to the College and wish to express our deep gratitude to you for this gift.

Bethune-Cookman has such great need for Library books. The young people who come to us for teacher-training, junior college and industrial courses have not had the advantage of modern library facilities before coming to this Institution. Our Library has been so inadequate to meet their needs, and to satisfy their craving for good literature. Our Library is the Community Library, too, and is used by the public school teachers and students of Daytona Beach, for they have no Library of their own.

Your response to Mrs. Goodman's appeal, and your gifts to Bethune-Cookman Library are heartening to my faculty and to me, for we have struggled so long to make possible the fullest development of the young people who come to us each year.

Please be assured of our warmest appreciation for this significant evidence of your interest in our work.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 19, 1940

Miss Kitty Barry
Jersey Street
San Francisco, California

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My dear Miss Barry,

As a result of the friendship and interest of Mrs. Emma E. Goodman, of San Francisco, we have received gifts of Books for our Library, through the medium of a unique "Book Drive for Bethune-Cookman", from friends all over the country.

We have received the shipment of fiction and reference books you have sent to the College and wish to express our deep graitude to you for this gift.

Bethune-Cookman has such great need for Library books. The young people who come to us for teacher-training, junior college and industrial courses have not had the advantage of modern library facilities before coming to this Institution. Our Library has been so inadequate to meet their needs, and to satisfy their craving for good literature. Our Library is the Community Library, too, and is used by the public school teachers and students of Daytona Beach, for they have no Library of their own.

Your response to Mrs. Goodman's appeal, and your gifts to Bethune-Cookman Library are heartening to my faculty and to me for we have struggled so long to make possible the fullest development of the young people who come to us each year.

Please be assured of our warmest appreciation for this significant evidence of your interest in our work.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 25, 1940

Mrs. Glendon Walker
Venice Post Office
Venice, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Walker:

Thank you for your letter of June 18. I suggest that you apply to the NYA State Director of Illinois for a position on one of the NYA projects. With your qualification, I am sure you will be given every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 25, 1940

Mrs. Jeanne Linke Kirman
30 Underhill Street
Tuckahoe, New York

Dear Mrs. Kirman:

Thank you for your letter of June 11. We appreciate the offer of this opportunity for some girl who is interested in French and who is willing to work in your home and learn French from you as a part of her compensation. We will recommend a girl to you after the opening of school in September.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 27, 1940

Miss C. A. Percival
Barber Scotia Junior College
Concord, North Carolina

My dear Miss Percival:

Thank you for your lovely letter of recent date. I am so happy to know that you enjoyed your stay in Daytona Beach and hope you will visit us again soon.

Many thanks to you for the beautiful card you sent me while I was in the hospital. It was so encouraging. My friends were so thoughtful of me during my illness.

I hope you are enjoying a pleasant and profitable summer.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 27, 1940

Mrs. Marie S. Cunningan
907½ N. Compton Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mrs. Cunningan:

Thank you for your lovely letter of June 23 and for your beautiful poem. I have enjoyed reading the poem very much.

Our Institution is a Junior College and you would have to go to a four year college to complete your work for your A. B. degree. We do not offer Journalism here.

I suggest that you write the President of Howard University, Hampton Institute or Clark University relative to the completion of your work for your A. B. degree.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 28, 1940.

Mrs. Nora Covington Westheimer,
409 Edgecombe Avenue,
New York, New York.

Dear Mrs. Westheimer,

I have read your letter of June sixteenth with sympathetic interest. I can appreciate your desire and ambition to secure the type of work that will give full outlet to your abilities and, at the same time, compensate you adequately.

I regret to state that I am not familiar with the details of openings along the line of supervisory work in New York. Very often my attention is called to openings in NYA work, and I have the privilege of helping the State Directors to fill certain positions. Such an opportunity has not come for New York, however, for several months and I fear I cannot direct you to one at this time. It is my suggestion that you continue to keep in touch with Mr. Ellzy, for he is in constant touch with these places.

Meanwhile, I shall be glad to refer you to any individual who may indicate an opening of the type you desire.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

July 2, 1940

Miss Esther Eddy
608 Orange Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Eddy:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $2.00. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of two dollars means so much to at this time. These are very strenyous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 5, 1940

Mr. C. A. Bowen
General Board of Christian Education
810 Broadway
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Bowen:

Thank you for your letter of July 2.

We would appreciate it very much if you would place us on the free mailing list to receive the church school publications.

We shall be happy to receive the CHURCH SCHOOL MAGAZINE, CHRISTIAN HOME, ADULT STUDENT and ELEMENTARY TEACHER.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

July 8, 1940.

Rev. Jesse L. Murrell,
603 South Palmetto Avenue,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Rev. Murrell:

Our Summer School Commencement will be held next week. The Baccalaureate Exercises will be held at three o'clock on Sunday afternoon, July 14th, and the Commencement exercises on Saturday, July 20th.

At a recent meeting of the general faculty of the Summer Session, it was voted that we would ask you to deliver the Baccalaureate address on the afternoon of July 14th. Our Summer School students would be inspired and helped by the type of message that you would bring to them.

Please let us know if you will serve in this manner. Formal Academic attire will be used for the exercises. If you accept the invitation and desire to have us furnish cap and gown, please let us know the degree, the Institution conferring it and measurements, as early as possible.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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July 9, 1940

Mr. John D. Beatty
Carnegie Institute of Technology
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Beatty:

May I express my sincere gratitude to you for your thought of me and for the valuable book "BIBLIOGRAPHY OF NON-METALLIC INCLUSIONS IN IRON AND STEEL." This book has been placed in my personal Library. After I have looked through this books it shall be placed in the College Library where it may be used by the students and teachers of the community as well as the students and teachers of the College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 16, 1940

Miss Della Gillesen
658 Pinewood Avenue
Toledo, Ohio

Dear Miss Gilleson:

May I thank you for your beautiful letter of July 9 and for the lovely poem - "Our Mary Bethune"

It fills my heart with joy to read this interesting poem. I shall have it typed, framed and placed on the wall in my office. It was so nice of you to think of me in this way. May God bless you and may you continue to go forward with you splendid work.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July [illegible]8, 1940

The Officers & Members of
The Bethune-Cookman Club
137 West 142nd Street
Apartment 1 D
New York City

Dear Officers and Members:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your letter with Money Order enclosed for twenty-five dollars brought great joy to me. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. Please know that we are greatful for your continued interest and cooperation.

I will be here at the College for two months. I must take a complete rest in order to restore my strength. Please continue thoughtful of us and do all you can for Bethune-Cookman College. We need your interest and support more than ever before.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 19, 1940.

Miss Jennie Morrill,
City Library,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Miss Morrill:

Our Librarian has informed me that one of our students, who lives in Daytona Beach, is capable of maintaining Library hours during the balance of the summer, for the benefit of our city people.

This young woman could be available from two to five o'clock each afternoon. She has only a foster Mother to help her and earns her way in school. This means, therefore, that we could not get volunteer service from her but would have to pay her. She would do this for five dollars a week, I am sure.

Our school is closing tomorrow and most of the faculty members are going away. Most of the local students are working on one job or another and our search has isolated just this one girl who knows enough about the Library to handle it satisfactory, and who us without full time work for the summer.

I wonder if you can help us take care of the material end of this service. We have no money for anything of this type during August and early September.

Please let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 19, 1940

Mrs. Margaret B. Collie
509 Third Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Collie:

Thank you for your letter of July 9. I am home and will be here for two months.

The situation of the Housing Project will have to be worked out by local officials. The Negroes will simply have to fight for their participation. Throughout the country the Negro Housing Projects are supervised by Negroes. I suggest that you send a letter to Mr. Robert Weaver, United States Housing Authority, Washington, D. C., telling him of the situation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

July 22, 1940

Mrs. Sue Mahorner, State Supervisor
Historical Records Survey
Federal Works Agency-
Work Projects Administration of
Florida
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mahorner:

Thank you for your letter of July 22. We are so grateful to you for the Guide to Depositories of Manuscript Collections in Florida. This Guide will be very useful to our Library.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

July 25, 1940

Mrs. A. C. Moss,
Route 2, Box 75
Palmetto, Florida

Dear Mrs. Moss:

Thank you for your letter of July 14, relative to your new school building.

I will be honored to have a high school named for me. It is so nice of you to think of me in this way. God's blessings upon you. I shall make it my business to visit your school sometime in the future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 27, 1940

Miss Isabelle E. Bans
3918 - 24th Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss Bans:

Thank you for your letter of July 19 and for the books sent to our Library. We are writing Miss Jean Kerrison today, thanking her for the books.

The responses to Mrs. Goodman's appeal, and the large gifts of books to Bethune-Cookman Library are heartening to my faculty and to me. Mrs. Goodman's book drive for Bethune-Cookman College has been a marvelous success. We are grateful for the help she has directed to our Library.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 2, 1940

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Miss Margaret Taylor Goss
5952 Parkway , South
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Goss:

Thank you for your letter of July 27, expressing your desire to complete your education.

I suggest that you make application to the President of whatever school you desire to attend asking for industrial or scholarship aid. You may be able to get part-time work. If such aid is available, I am sure you will be given some consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 2, 1940

Mr. A. Lafayette Washington
Department Commander
Colored Veterans of the World War
Department of Florida
Bartow, Florida

Dear Mr. Washington:

Thank you for your letter of July 30 and for your kind invitation inviting me to attent your State Convention, August 14-16.

I regret exceedingly my inability to be present. I have spent two months in Johns Hopkins Hospital and it is very necessary that I keep quiet in order to regain my strength. My Doctor has asked that I remain here and be quiet for two months.

I extend to you best wishes for a successful State Convention.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 5, 1940

President B. F. Mays
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear President Mays:

Kindly send me all information relative to fees and requirements for entering Morehouse. I am thinking seriously of sending my grandson, Albert Bethune, Jr., there this term.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 13, 1940.

Miss Evalyn Coppoc,
107 West 114th Street,
Apartment 10,
New York, New York.

My dear Miss Coppoc,

I have read your recent letter with interest, understanding and sympathy. I am so sorry that you have been ill and that your illness has prevented you from carrying out your plans for study and development.

I do not know of any openings in New York at this time, but I refer you to Mr. Robert Ellzy, Director of Negro Affairs of the National Youth Administration of New York. Get in touch with Mr. Ellzy and he may be able to help you. I have been ill since April, and was forced to come to Daytona Beach in early July for rest from all responsibilities and work. I deeply regret my inability to give you any tangible encouragement or help at this time, but I assure you that I will be glad to endorse you if you are successful in being considered for a position in New York.

May I congratulate you upon the splendid story, copy of which you sent to me. You are well worthy of help toward your goal and you may be assured that I will keep you in mind. I am much stronger now than I was when I came to Florida and I hope soon to be able to plunge into my duties with my usual vigor.

Keep up your courage and be prayerful. Just know that you will reach your goal if you continue trying.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 13, 1940.

Mrs. Eleanor Garrison,
West Dennis, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Garrison,

I just want to thank you for your note of July 25th. It was so thoughtful of Miss Merrell to ask you to write you about her mother's sudden passing. She was so interested in our work here and had recently consented to serve on our Advisory Board. Truly, Our Father moves in a mysterious way but He knows best always. We are thankful that she was spared a long siege of pain and illness.

We sincerely hope that you will visit Bethune-Cookman College when you are in this section.

Please convey our gratitude to Mrs. Merrell's daughter, and our deep sympathy in this greatest of losses.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 13, 1940

Miss Florence E. Gibbs
545 Edgecombe Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Gibbs:

Thank you for your letter of August 6, announcing Miss Helen Hagan's return to the concert stage.

We regret to state that it will not be possible for us to include Miss Hagan in our schedule for 1940-41. We hope it will be possible at a later date.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 13, 1940.

Mr. Lemont T. Sansbury,
116 Fleming Avenue,

Port Orange, Florida.

My dear Mr. Sansbury,

The State Department of Education requires the majority of the faculty of our Keyser Laboratory School to hold degrees in Elementary Education.

In order to fill this requirement, we have been communicating with Mrs. Altamese Bentley, who taught in the Port Orange Elementary School last year, in an effort to place her in our Laboratory School. Mrs. Bentley holds a degree in Elementary Education and can be of real service to our work here.

We are recommending to you Mrs. Mable A. Saxon, graduate of the Teacher-Training Department of Bethune-Cookman, to fill Mrs. Bentley's place in your school. Mrs. Saxon is a young woman of fine personality and ability and has had three years of teaching experience. We would have appointed her to the staff of our Laboratory School if we had not had to meet the degree requirement as indicated above.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Gen.

August 17, 1940

Mr. D. W. Browning
116 E. Fairview Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Browning:

Enclosed you will find my check for $75.00. I am very sorry that I cannot give you more at this time, but will try to make another payment soon.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 19, 1940

Miss Carolyn B. Parker
405 North Grove Street
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Miss Parker:

Thank you for your letter of August 12 and for your letter received today.

My secretary is away on her vacation and my reply to your letter of August 12 has been delayed.

You will have to get someone else to sign your application blank. I cannot sign anybodys application - my office will not permit me to do that. I shall be happy to do what I can for you after your application blank has been received in the NYA office.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 20, 1940

Mrs. Minnie Lue Gordon
7 Blanches Lane
West Augustine, Florida

Dear Mrs. Gordon:

In reply to your letter concerning information about Bethune-Cookman College, we regret to state that we only accept students who have graduated from high school and are ready to began their college work.

We are proud of the fact that you made Bethune-Cookman your first choice in seeking a good home for your daughter. We are in sympathy with your desire, and it is our greatest hope that you shall find a suitable place for your daughter.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

August 21, 1940

Mr. M. A. Feldman, V. P.
Puritan Chemical Company
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Feldman:

Thank you for your letter of August 15. We appreciate your prompt delivery, we received the Sanding Machine August 15.

We sahll be looking forward to the coming of the balance of the sandpaper.

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell,
Business Manager.

August 22, 1940

My dear Superintendents, Ministers and Friends:

It grieves me not to be able to be present with you in the services, conferences and conventions that are being held by the various departments of the churches all over the state of Florida.

For years when my strength and time permitted, you know I was always present. The time has come now when it is impossible for me to be present in person, but my spirit is with you. Others who are representing the school and sharing in the carrying forward of the work that has been intrusted to all of us must take action in my place.

For two months you know I was confined to John Hopkins Hospital. I am not well now. My Doctors are insisting that I relax and rest in order to regain my strength. I have tried to rest and forget many things, but I find it hard to take my mind off the great need of our Institution.

Bethune-Cookman College needs most definitely the active support of every department of the church. Our Endowment must be secured. If every member would make a sacrifice of just $1.00 per year to the Institution much of the burden that I now carry would be lifted. May I ask that in the set up of your program for this year that you make a more definite effort to help the Institution. Our representative, Mr. Hacker, who bears this note will talk to you concerning the program and activities of the College. Whatever you can do for us, please do it. We need your prayers, your interest and cooperation in building up your own institution in the state of Florida.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

August 22, 1940

Mrs. Harriett Howard-Steward
4008 Cooke Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

My dear Mrs. Steward:

I am very happy to get your letter. I have been out of touch with you for sometime. I was in St. Louis in June attending the Jurisdictional Conference. If I had known you were there I would have been glad to have seen you and your mother.

I have been ill this year myself. I spent two full months in John Hopkins Hospital. I am better now, but not at all well.

I hope you will be successful in getting a position in the NYA center there. I suggest that you call in Mr. Russell, our Supervisor there, and tell him that I told you to call him for a conference. We shall be happy to do whatever we can to help you. I do not know of any other place that I may refer you to just now. Please know that I am glad to help you any way I can. Love to your Mother.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 24, 1940

Miss Hattie V. Spotsville
Rt. 2, Box 52
Colfox, La.

Dear Miss Spotsville:

Thank you for your letter of August 21, applying for NYA aid in some college of our state.

I regret that I cannot help you obtain aid in any other college except Bethune-Cookman. Since we do not offer Nurse Training, I suggest that you send a letter of application to the college you desire to attend asking for NYA aid. After stating your financial condition and convincing them that you are a willing worker, I am sure that your application will be accepted.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Karin Clark.

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August 27, 1940

Mr. Hall, Principal
Hungerford School
Maitland, Florida

Dear Mr. Hall:

I have not had the opportunity to meet you, but I do want to extend my welcome to you and Mrs. Hall to the State of Florida and to the work at Hungerford.

I am very much interested in Hungerford. Its founder and I were very good friends. I have a deep appreciation for his service and for those who have endeavored to carry on the work since his departure. In my mind, there is a great opportunity at Hungerford for a person with vision and wisdom. You are surrounded with a fine group of friends. I am sure Dr. Wright will give you all the help and cooperation he can, as well as the other fine people there.

I shall be glad to have you come over and visit Bethune-Cookman College. If there is anything that we can do or if there are any suggestions that we can give, we shall be most happy to cooperate with you. Possibly some of the little things we are endeavoring to do here may give you some help in what you are wanting to do there.

I do not know whether you have secured your staff for the year or not. However, I would like to call your attention to Mrs. Carter, who can be reached at 620 Sanford Avenue, Sanford, Florida. Mrs. Ruth Carter has been employed at Bethune-Cookman College for the past four years. She is very active with her hands. She does very splendid work in her field. It has come to my mind that you are planning to have a Vocational school there. I feel that Mrs. Carter will be of great service to you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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Mary McLeod Bethune.

August 28, 1940

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Mr. S. Burnes Western
Hoter Building
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Western:

It has come to my attention that there is a splendid building at 637 West Madison Street, Youngstown, Ohio, that may be secured for a Resident Center for girls.

I am wondering what program we have on in Youngstown and if it might not be advisable for you to have our representative go there and study our program and see if it could be advantageous to secure that location for a first class girls' project. You may get in touch with Miss Ella McElroy, at the Windsor Hotel, Daytona Beach, Florida.

I am feeling much better and will return to Washington this week. You can reach me at my office there.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donary

August 30, 1940

Mrs. [illegible]. J. Early
Lanham, Maryland

My dear Mrs. Early:

I wish I could express to you our gratitude for the interest you are manifesting in our school. God bless you, Mrs. Early, and raise up many more like you.

I guess you did not know that I have been ill most of the year. I was in John Hopkins Hospital for two full months. I have been here in Florida now for two months. I am growing stronger daily. I hope to feel like myself again soon.

I shall return to Washington soon. I would be so glad if you would come in to see me. I want to have a talk with you. I wish you had come down to see the school while I was here.

We are very grateful to you for this contribution of $60.00 per term - thirty dollars semi-annually. This sholarship donation shall be used by some worthy boy or girl. You do not know how much you are helping to lift the burden from my tired shoulders.

May God bless you and give you new strength and courage to help carry forward our great program.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 31, 1940.

Mr. Lawton L. Pratt,
525 West Beaver Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mr. Pratt,

We are so grateful to you for the information in regard to the chairs in the Knights of Pythias Building. We are very much in need of the chairs for our Auditorium and I am earnestly requesting of you to have the Custodian ship the 283 chairs to us immediately. We will be glad to pay the transportation on them, and upon receipt of his bill, will pay the charges for the chairs, at 25¢ each.

I am asking you to do this for us, for you are a member of our Board and are right there where you can handle the transaction easily. We would like to have the chairs shipped immediately and assure you that, upon receipt of the bill for them, will send our check in payment.

Things are moving on well and we are busy, getting ready for the opening of school. We are asking all trustees to be present at the opening exercises on September 20th.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 10, 1940

Rev. W. O. Bartley
310 N. W. 11th Street
Miami, Florida

My dear Rev. Bartley:

We jhave received through Rev. G. R. A. Banks, the contributions of Charges reporting of Education at the District Conference of the Methodist Church, held in Key West in late August.

In this report we note, with gratitude, the contribution of$3.00 from the Miami Church. May we express to you and your members our sincere appreciation for this evidence of your continued interestin Bethune-Cookman and your confidence in the program we are fostering. You know how much we need the support of our Methodist constituency at this time and how much we are depending upon them to help us carry on this work. We earnestly solicit your cojtinued influence and the help of your members.

The formal opening of Bethune-Cookman will be held on September 20th, at 11:30 A. M. May we extend to you and to as many membersof your church as may come, a warm invitation to be with us for the opening exercises?

We enclose official receipt for your donation of$3.00.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 10, 1940

Rev. C. R. A. Banks
330 Spruce Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Banks,

We have received through you the contributions of Charges reporting for Education at the District Conference of the Methodist Church, held in Key West in late August.

In this report we note, with gratitude, the contribution of $5.00 from the Daytona Beach Church. May we express to you and your members our sincere appreciation for this evidence of your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman and your confidence in the program we are fostering. You know how much we need the support of our Methodist constituency at this time and how much we are depending upon them to help us carry on this work. We earnestly solicit your continued influrence and the help of your members.

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We enclose official receipt for your donation of $5.00.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 10, 1940

Rev. O. A. Burnes
819 8th Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Burns,

We have received through Rev. C. R. A. Banks, the contributions of Charges reporting for Education at the District Conference of the Methodist Church, held in Key West in late August.

In this report we note, with gratitude, the contribution of$1.00 from the West Palm Beach Church. May we express to you and your members our sincere appreciation for this evidence of your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman and your confidence in the program we are fostering. You know how much we need the suppoet of our Methodist constituency at this time and how much we are depending upon them to help us carry on this work. We earnestly solicit your continued influence and the help of your members.

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We enclose official receipt for your donation of $1.00.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 10, 1940

Rev. S. D. Bankston
P. O. Box1141
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Bankston,

We have received through Reb. G. R. A. Banks, the contributions of Charges reporting for Education at the District Conference of the Methodist Church, held in Key West in late August.

In this report we note, with gratitude, the contribution of $1.00 from the Cocoa Church. May we express to you and your members our sincere appreciation for this evidence of your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman and your confidence in the program we are fostering. You know how much we need the support of our Methodist constituency at this time and how much we are depending upon them to help us carry on this work. We earnestly solicit your continued influence and the help of your members.

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We enclose official receipt for your donation of $1.00.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 10, 1940

Church School-Epworth League
Rev. C. R. A. Banks
330 Spruce Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Banks,

We have received through you the contributions of Charges reporting for Education at the Distfict Conference of the Methodist Church, held in Key West in late August.

In this report we note, with gratitude, the contribution of $5.00 from the Church School-Epworth League.
May we express to you and your members our sincere appreciation for this evidence of your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman and your confidence in the program we are fostering. You know how much we need the suppoet of our Methodist constituency at this time and how much we are depending upon them to help us carry on this work. We earnestly solicit your continued influence and the help of your members.

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We enclose official receipt for your donation of $5.00.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 10, 1940

Rev. W. E. Harris
596 Washington Street
New Smyrna, Florida

My dear Rev. Harris,

We have received through Rev. G. R. A. Banks, the contributions of Charges reporting for Education at the District Conference of the Methodist Church, held in Key West in late August.

In this report we note, with gratitude, the contribution of $2.00 from the New Smyrna Church. May we wxpress to you and your members our sincere appreciation for this evidence of your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman and your confidence in the program we are fostering. You know how much we need the support of our Methodist constituency at this time and how much we are depending upon them to help us carry on this work. We earnestly solicit your continued influence and the help of your members.

The formal opening of Bethune-Cookman will be held on September 20th, at 11:30 A. M. May we extend to you and to as many members of your church as may come, a warm invitation to be with us for the opening exercises?

We enclose official receipt for your donation of $2.00.

Sincerely yours

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 15, 1940

Miss Helen Haskins
St. Moritz Hotel
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Haskins:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of books to our Library.

Bethune-Cookman College has such great need for Library books. The young people who come to us for teacher-training, junior college and industrial courses have not had the advantage of modern library facilities before coming to this Institution. Our Library has been so inadequate to meet their needs, and to satisfy their craving for good literature.

Your response to Mrs. Goodman's appeal and your gifts to Bethune-Cookman Library are heartening to my faculty and to me, for we have struggled so long to make possible the fullest development of the young people who come to us each year.

Please be assured of our warmest appreciation for this significant evidence of your interest in our work.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

General

September 16, 1940.

Mr. S. Burns Weston, State Director,
National Youth Administration,
State Office,
Hoster Building,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Weston,

It has come to my attention that there is a splendid building at 637 West Madison Street, Youngstown, Ohio, that may be secured for a Resident Center for Girls.

I am wondering what program we may have in force in Youngstown, and if it might not be advisable for you to have our representative go there and study our program to see if it could be advantageous to secure that location for a first class girls' project. You may get in touch with Miss Ella McElroy , at the Windsor Hotel, Daytona Beach, Florida.

I am feeling much better and will return to Washington this week. You can reach me at my office there.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Prizes

September 18, 1940

Dr. C. L. Eccleston
State Chairman Scholarship Committee
Colored Veterans of the World War
553 West Church Street
Orlando, Florida

Dear Dr. Eccleston:

Thank you kindly for your letter of September 2nd, with reference to the establishment of an annual prize of $5.00, to be designated as the Colored World War Veterans' Scholarship.

We are grateful for this manifestation of your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and assure you that this prize shall be placed or used by the department where Americanism or Good Citizenship is stressed.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 18, 1940

Mr. J. C. Beard
Superintendent City Yards
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Beard:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your cooperation in helping to beautify our campus. We are so happy to have the low places filled in, sidewalks repaired and new ones laid. Please know, Mr. Beard, that we are grateful for this manifestation of your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

We solicit your continued interest and cooperation in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 24, 1940

Mr. Lowell Bentan
33 5th Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Bentan:

I am in Florida for a few days for the opening of school. I will return to Washington next week.

I read your letter with great understanding and I will try to send you something that will be helpful to you in writing the story as soon as I can.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 28, 1940

Rev. W. E. Harris
596 Washington Street
New Snyrna, Florida

My dear Rev. Harris:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution means so much to the College. Please know that we are grateful for your continued interest and material support. We need your help now more than ever before.

For two months you know I was confined to John Hopkins Hospital. I am not well now. My Doctors are insisting that I be extremely careful not to do too much. I have tried to rest and forget many things, but I find it hard to take my mind off the great need of our Institution.

Bethune-Cookman College needs most definitely the active support of every department of the church. Our Endowment must be secured. If every member would make a sacrifice of just $1.00 per year to the Institution much of the burden that I now carry would be lifted. May I ask that in the set up of your program for this year that you make a more definite effort to help Bethune-Cookman College. We need your prayers, your interest and cooperation in building up and carrying forward the work of your own Institution in the State of Florida.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 25, 1940

Attorney Jacob Grohman
551 Fifth Avenue at 45th Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Grohman:

In reply to your letter of September 19, we wish to advise that we do not have the birth record of students who attended the old Cookman Institute.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 25, 1940

Mr. Charles S. Chestnut, Sr.
P. O. Box 592
Gainesville, Florida

My dear Mr. Chestnut:

Thank you for your letter of August 27. I shall be happy to serve as a member of the Executive Committee of the Booker T. Washington Business League of Florida. I hope I will be in Florida when the meeting is called.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

September 25, 1940

Mr. Gus Burton
Orlando, Florida

Dear Mr. Burton;

Thank you for your letter of September 23. Mr. Williams and Mr. Johnson should know of some bank or Finance Company that would grant you a loan of three hundred dollars.

I am leaving this afternoon for Washington. I hope you will be successful in completing your plans.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 25, 1940

Mr. G. F. Scott
Florida Southern College
Lakeland, Florida

Dear Mr. Scott;

Thank you for your letter of September 10 and for your interest in the colored people. We also thank you for the recommendation for Margaret Franklin. She has registered here and we shall do everything possible to help her complete her education. Our doors are all ways open to worthy boys and girls who are trying to find their way.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 25, 1940

Mrs. Beatrice Moore
1218 North Johnson Street
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Moore:

Thank you for your letter of September 18, which I have read with sympathy and understanding.

I hardly know how to advise you. I suggest that you get with the WPA supervisors and see if they can have your case reopened for work as soon as possible. I hope everything will work out all right for you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 26, 1940

The Cleveland Trust Company
Estates Department
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of September 23, with check enclosed for $675.00, remittance on Thomas H. White Estate for Quarter ending 9/22/40. We enclose official receipt for same.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 26, 1940.

My dear Albert:

I have just read your letter and it made me so happy to know that you are settled and enjoying your work at Morehouse.

I am sending a letter to Dr. Mayes, requesting that you be permitted to take your meals in the Cafe, if you prefer having them there.

Margaret will stop by to see you when she goes to Nashville. She is working hard, trying to get herself in readiness to go.

We had a wonderful opening - with a larger student body than we have had for many years. We are expecting great things this year.

Please know how happy you make me when you say that you are going to do your best. I am glad that you have signed up for work for the holidays. Make up your mind to be as conservative as possible and to have no hesitancy in earning an honest dollar. Always save a part of what you earn. Mother Dear is depending upon you.

Marcia is seven years old today and she is walking around like a little lady. She told me that she would be in the sixth grade, when she is ten. Carelle came to see me last night. She acts just like a little lady. She told me all about her trip to New York.

It is grand to know that there are so many Bethune-Cookman fellows at Morehouse. Tell them all to do their best and reflect the training we have tried to give them here.

I am rushing to take the train to Washington. Take care of yourself and let me hear from you often. I have written the Bursar there to send your bills to Mrs. Mitchell and she will handle them from this end.

Lovingly yours,

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(Dictated 9/24/40 - p. m.)

September 30, 1940.

Morgan and Company,
Postoffice Box 1227,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Attention - Mr. W. E. Coulbourn.

Dear Mr. Coulbourn,

We wish to express our deep gratitude to Morgan and Company and to you, for your most welcome donation of twenty dollars, receipt for which is enclosed.

Our Annual Rally in the school year just closed, fell short of our usual mark through lack of adequate organization, and many of our local friends and Firms were not solicited as a result. We felt that you still believed in our program, for we thoroughly understood the necessity for meeting certain credit terms. Our Institution has been forced to change many policies in relation to student account collection. We cannot do business as we once did, and we need now, more than ever, the help, the influence and the consideration of our friends.

Please be assured of our gratitude for your continued friendship and this generous evidence of it. During this academic year, when we will have more efficient organization of the promotion and rallies, we hope that our representatives will not annoy you unduly for help. Just know that we are trying in every way possible, to carry on this much-needed work.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 30, 1940.

My dear Margaret Simms,

I am delighted to know that you are moving forward so rapidly in your field of service and that you have the vision of even greater things.

You are a member of the National Council through your Sorority. The Iota Phi Lambda Sorority was one of our first member organizations. I shall be so happy to have you come to Washington for our Conference, which will be held October 25th and 26th. Registration will start at nine o'clock on the morning of the twenty-fifth. The sessions begin at ten o'clock on that day. The White House Conference Tea will be held at four o'clock and the public session in the evening. The regular sessions will be held morning and afternoon on Saturday, the twenty-sixth and the Conference dinner in the evening. It is going to be a very outstanding Conference and I shall be so glad to have Florida represented. I hope it will be possible for you to come, and many others. Please let Eartha White know the dates.

With best wishes for your continued success,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mrs. Margaret Simms,
Postoffice Box 2374,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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October 1, 1940.

Miss Florence L. Gould,
42 Central Street,
Auburndale, Massachusetts.

My dear Miss Gould:

I have read your full letter of September twenty-eighth with interest and appreciation. It is so gratifying to note your spirit of service, your real dedication to the Cause of teaching and your desire to serve Negro youth in the South.

I wish very much that I might say that we may, at some time in the future, consider your application for service on our staff, but I cannot. Our State, by law, does not permit White persons to teach Negroes. Our faculty is entirely made up of young Negroes, who have the vision and the training to direct and inspire their own young people. Our College is very inter-racial, however, and we have both White and Negro members of our Trustee and Advisory Boards. Hundreds of tourists and residents of Daytona Beach visit our Institution each year and our students are able to gain the more broad viewpoint of contact with both Races.

Under separate cover we are sending you a copy of our current catalog and some descriptive literature. We hope that your interest in our work may continue, even though you may not be affiliated with us. We shall appreciate the use of your influence, particularly with those who are inclined to help such a work as ours, materially. We are so greatly in need of funds to continue our work here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 2, 1940.

Dean L. A. Gupton,
Gupton-Jones College of
Mortuary Science,
1800 West End Avenue,
Nashville, Tennessee.

My dear Dean Gupton:

We are very happy to know that Margaret Bethune, my daughter-in-law, has been accepted as a student in your Institution for this year. She plans to leave Thursday of this week for Nashville, in order to be there for registration.

I enclose my check for one hundred fifty dollars, to cover her entrance expenses, and will appreciate it if you will have the bills for any other expenses that must be paid the College sent to me here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

October 8, 1940.

Mayor U. W. Cunningham and
City Commissioners,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Friends:

Bethune-Cookman College respectfully requests your consideration in the matter of the drainage on our properties. For many years we have been handicapped because of some stoppage in the drainage adjacent to our property. The water seems to be directed toward our land, rather than away from it and our farm crops are constantly destroyed in the rainy season, by the flooding. The mosquito problem can never be solved so long as this condition exists.

We will greatly appreciate your investigation and correction of this drainage situation.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 15, 1940

Mr. Earl Conrad
850 West End Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Conrad;

Thank you for your letter of August 31, requesting information on the life of Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune.

We are very sorry of the delay in replying to your request. Our hands have been so full until most of the important letters have gone unanswered. We hope, however, the material will reach you in time.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 27, 1942

Mrs. John N. Stalker
Whittier Apartments
Burns Drive
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Mrs. Stalker:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your beautiful and encouraging letter and for the materials you sent for our Clothing department. We are grateful for this manifestation of your continued interest in our work.

Our work moves forward in a most satisfactory manner. Students are keenly alive to the seriousness of our National Situation and they are applying themselves to their tasks with renewed concentration. Christian institutions of the type of Bethune-Cookman have a real service to render during these days of unrest. The confidence and aid of friends like you enable us to carry on.

We solicit your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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November 7, 1940.

Mrs. F. D. Marsh,
Ocean Drive,
Ormond Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Marsh:

I think you know something about Bethune-Cookman College and its program in support of the building of good citizenship. We have attempted to build here an institution that will merit the confidence and cooperation of the people of our community and of the nation. For thirty-six years we have been working and growing in spite of innumerable handicaps, trying to serve and train Negro boys and girls. Our purpose is to help our young Negroes of this section to become upright, intelligent, Christian citizens.

We are keenly aware of the great need for stimulating our people in the matter of beautification, both of their homes and their surroundings. In our standards of neatness in all buildings and on the grounds, and in our campus beautification insofar as our limited funds will permit, we try to have them understand the value of these things in rounded lives. It requires more money than we have to give them the object lessons in horticultural development on the campus, but we are doing everything we can along this line. We are desiring to develop here on the grounds what we may term a "Variety Garden" to engender in the hearts of these Negro boys and girls a love for this type of culture and beauty. Most of them live in Florida and may be able to take inspiration to their communities from the lessons learned here. We believe that it will help them to have a part in the development of such a project.

I know of your interest in this type of development and I am writing to ask if you would consider visiting our campus some day and looking over the little plot we hope to use for the Variety Garden. I am asking if you will give us your help, your suggestions and influence in bringing it to a reality. We should be so happy to have you come, and give us an opportunity to discuss it with you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 13, 1940

Mr. Leonard J. Field
Field & Wright Company
100-108 Main Street
Jamestown, New York

Gentlemen:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 13, 1940

Miss Rodie Harris
25 Central Park West
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Harris:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for the efforts you are putting forth in behalf of our Library.

The little Library of Bethune-Cookman College serves not only our College population, but the entire City of Daytona Beach, so far as Negroes are concerned. We have been greatly handicapped for all of the years of our school's existence, by the need of reference titles, history, fiction and children books. It means so much to our students, teachers and the Negroes of Daytona Beach to have a larger selection of reading matter in the Library.

Please be assured of our appreciation for your interest and help. We hope that your interest in us will continue.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

November 25, 1940

~~Mrs.~~ Miss Edith J. Goode
Woodstock, Vermont

My dear Mrs. Goode:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. Please know, Mrs. Goode, that we are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation. We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 29, 1940.

Mr. William H. Shell,
Administrative Assistant on Negro Affairs,
National Youth Administration for Georgia,
239 Auburn Avenue, Northeast,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Schell:

May we express our gratitude for the copy of Minutes and Procedures of the Regional Conference of College and NYA officials on the College Work Program.

This information will be of real service to us as we go forward with our College Work Program for this year.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 5, 1940

Mrs. Edith G. Ely
120 E. Espanola Street
Colorado Springs, Colorado

Dear Mrs. Ely:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for the large supply of books you so kindly sent to our Library.

Please know, Mrs. Ely, that we are indeed grateful for this manifestation of your interest in the type of service we are rendering.

The little Library of Bethune-Cookman College is the only Library in this vicinity for Negroes. We have been handicapped for all of the years of our school existence, by the need of reference titles, hisotyr, fiction and children books. It means so much to our students, teachers and the Negroes of Daytona Beach to have a larger selection of reading matter in the Library.

Please be assured of our appreciation and help. We hope that your iterest in us will contine.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 5, 1940

Mr. Eugene Cortez Stallworth
Stillman Institute
Tusculoosa, Alabama

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

Thank you for your letter of November 22.

If you are receiving NYA aid at the present, I do not know of any other scholarship to suggest for you. I think the wisest thing to do is to continue with your course in teacher training. However, if you are not interested in the teacher training course you should change and take up whatever course you are interest in. You will have to make application for scholarships to the President of whatever college you decide to attend.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 24, 1940

Mr. Henry Haynes
Princess Issena Hotel
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Haynes:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for the books you sent over to our Library.

The little Library of Bethune-Cookman College serves not only our College population, but the entire City of Daytona Beach, so far as Negroes are concerned. We have been greatly handicapped for good reading material. It means so much to our students, teachers and the Negroes of Daytona Beach to have a larger selection of reading matter in the Library.

Please be assured of our appreciation for your interest and help. We hope that your interest in us will continue.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 30, 1940

Mr. C. C. Spaulding, President
North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co. .
Durham, North Carolina

My dear Mr. Spaulding:

We are so grateful to you for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. I cannot tell you how much your contribution helped to brighten the Holiday Season at Bethune-Cookman College. It gives me new strength and courage to have a friend like you to think of Bethune-Cookman and send in your contribution during these strenuous days.

May God abundantly bless you and may you enjoy a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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MONEY ORDER NOTICE

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R. B. WHITE, PRESIDENT — NEWCOMB CARLTON, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD — J. C. WILLEVER, FIRST-VICE-PRESIDENT

DAYTONA BEACH, FLO

DAYTONA BEACH FLO MAY 4 1940
OFFICE DATE

No. B140

To MRS BERTHA L MITCHELL
MR., MRS. OR MISS

BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE
ADDRESS

Receipt #814
May 6-1940

We have received a telegraphic money order for you with the following message:

FOR IRENES BOARD

Will you please call at our office, __________
to receive the money as soon as possible and in no case later than 72 hours, since at the end of that time we are required to cancel the order and return the amount to the sender.

Please bring this notice with you and also satisfactory evidence of identity such as some of the following:

Membership cards	Bank book
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Letters addressed to you	Western Union collect card

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or any other documentary evidence you may have.

Bring This Notice With You

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Western Union Telegraph Company

Kindly deliver to bearer, Robert Kelly, Money order (In sealed envelope) for Bertha L. Mitchell.

(Signed) Bertha L. Mitchell

May 6, 1940.

Form 3300C

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R. 7445 —
3/11/40

Daytona Beach, Fla. March 9, 1940.
OFFICE DATE 193

No. JMB115

To Mrs. Bertha Mitchell,
MR., MRS. OR MISS

Bethune Cookman College,
ADDRESS

TRANSIT TIME OF THIS MONEY ORDER
MINUTES

The Money Order paid you herewith is from Nellie Lanier,
NAME

at FtLauderdale, Fla. and included the following message:
PLACE

"Registration and board for Irene Lanier"

JBF- 844pm

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MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE= ★★
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=MOTHER DEAD HAVE FUNERAL TOMORROW=

=CHRISTOBELL SHERMAN REAVES.

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PORTRAYING LIFE OF MRS. BETHUNE IN PICTURES FOR CHICAGO EXPOSITION. PLEASE SEND BY AIR MAIL SPECIAL TO MISS MATRED MICKISSICK, BRAINARD INSTITUTE, CHESTER, SC. MOST SIGNIFICANT CUTS OR PICTURES AVAILABLE. FROM CHILDHOOD TO DATE. INFORMATION WITH EACH=

ROGER L COE STATE YOUTH ADMINISTRATOR.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

To MRS. MARY McLEOD BETHUNE 2-7-40 19

Street and No. BETHUNE - COOKMAN COLLEGE

Place DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

WROTE YOU QUOTING FOR FIFTY DOLLARS TO FILM YOU AND MRS. ROOSEVELT IN COLOR AND ADDITIONAL FIFTY DOLLARS FOR "NEGROES IN THE NEWS" sequence!

No. Reply - Please ADVISE IN ORDER THAT I MAY ARRANGE ITINERARY.

Sincerely,

J Richardson

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General Correspondence (Incoming) 1941

MRS. E. C. HENDERSON
233 EAST 48TH STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

January 3, 1941

Dear Miss Bethune:

Mrs. Henderson has received your letter of December 13th and sends her check for ten dollars.

Very truly yours,
Bessie W. Cowtan
Secretary

Student

Eloise

Safety Harbor, Florida
January 7, 1941

Dear Mrs. Bethune,

I am a senior in Clearwater High School and a member of the National Honor Society. Our chapter of this society is planning a program on Florida. I am to talk about negro celebraties of Florida. Could you assist me?

You are the only person of renown in your race that I know and I have looked through many books. but have found them no help. Could you send me the names of any persons of your race that are in Florida or that were born in Florida? I would greatly appreciate anything you would tell me about your life and the life of anyone else whom you may suggest for my talk.

All your time in helping me would be more appreciated than I can say.

Sincerely,
Grace McElveen

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Jan. Twentieth
1941

Send
$5.00

Just returned to office

glad for material

Hope to see her at conf.

Thank you, Mrs. Mitchell. We are trying to get out a creditable little hand-book for our Conf. Society and it will be costly. Will you donate to us something for the expense? What you may or can donate. We are not selling the spaces but are asking for liberal donations from friends as we do not wish our little book to have a commercial side.

We will appreciate what you send as donations are coming in slowly. I feel that you will be pleased with the space given our school. Thanks—

Mary Todd McKenzie
Fla. Conf Pres. W.S.C.S.

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452 West 149 Street
New York, New York
January 27, 1941

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Dr. Bethune:

I should like to file an application as a teacher in the State of Florida. I am a graduate of Hunter College (B. A. degree - language major) and also hold a Master of Arts degree from New York University. I have had experience as a secretary and teacher and can furnish references if necessary.

Any consideration, suggestions or information which you may be able to offer would be deeply appreciated as I am keenly interested in teaching and would like to make this profession my life's work.

Very truly yours,
(Miss) Irma D. Minott
Irma D. Minott

VILLA MONICA CONVALESCENT HOME
107-25 171st PLACE
MERRICK PARK, JAMAICA, L.I.
TELEPHONE JAMAICA 6-6077

February 3rd 1941.

Mrs Mary Mc Leod Bethune
Bethune - Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

My dear Mrs Bethune:-

I had the happiness to shake hands with you at The Bridge St church in B'klyn in April 1940: I beg you to recall the occasion when I spoke to you of the work at this Home.

I wish very much to inform you, that a woman (white) who says she is a Mrs Marshall a noted surgeon's wife of Cleveland Ohio and a"personal friend"of yours called to see me in Nov 1940 saying that she had been referred by you and wanted to make a donation for the work and was at that time on her way to Boston to settle some legal matters and would return again: I afterwards found out that she had told similar stories to many of our best people in this vicinity: I am wondering if you know of such a person she turned out to be a book agent as I am told.

This letter is purposely to tell you of our forthcoming concert at the exclusive Waldorf and when I think of your words which still ring in my ears , nothing is impossible if we persevere, and if we are qualified, so I am working with renewed zeal to accomplish that which is most needed for both our colored and white bretheren as no one knows the urgent need but those who hear the most distressing appeals daily as we do.

We would feel flattered and honored if you would come and speak for us if you happen to be in N.Y. on this particular date: It would aid us greatly and too, our work must be made widely known in order to become more recognized: We have carried on for ten years caring for more than Two Thousand aged, convalescent and homeless ,but must have a new fireproof building and more beds as our present quarters are entirely inadequate, the work having long outgrown its present building.

Thanking you, and hoping to retain your kindly interest .

With sincere cordial good wishes,

Caroline M. Mosby.

CMM/ MVD. Caroline M. Mosby. Nurse-in- Charge.

STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
MONTGOMERY

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254 South Jackson Street
February 3, 1941

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Many thanks for your letter of recent date and a copy of your circular letter of December 10, 1940.

Enclosed you will find a list of the national and state officers of the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers.

Very truly yours,

Mary Foster McDavid
js.

Mary Foster McDavid, State Jeanes Agent,
and President of the National Congress
of Colored Parents and Teachers.

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World Service Commission and Finance of the Methodist Church

SOUTH FLORIDA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

G. FRANK PONDER, CHAIRMAN,
P. O. BOX 1384,
DELAND, FLORIDA

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819 - EIGHTH STREET
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

N. J. CURINTON, SECRETARY
219 SOUTH TERRY STREET,
ORLANDO, FLORIDA

February 4th.1941.

Dr.M.M.Bethume,
Bethume-Cookman College
Daytona Beach,Florida.

Dear Doctor Bethume:

Enclosed is a check for the amount of $212.00 (Two Hundred Twelve Dollars) This the prorato share from Annual Conference budget of The South Florida Conference for year 1941 and 1942.Conference ending January 25th.1942. Greater efforts are being put forth for the college this conference year. We are hoping to make a good special report following Race-Relation Day.

With every good wish for the continued success of the School,

I am very cordially yours,

O A Burns Treasurer

Receipt - Annual Conference
So. Florida
By Rev. O.A. Burns, Treasurer
Conference Collection -
{Pro rata share from
{Annual Conf.
{Budget for 1941-42 -

Donor

Lanham, Maryland.
Feb., 12, 1941.

The Bethune Cookman College,

Enclosed find check for rest of my terms donation with my best wishes

Respectfully,
Missouri J. Early

Scholarship
Donation

Acknowledged
Feb. 18th

Done

Ridgewood Hotel
Daytona Beach, Florida

March 1, 1941

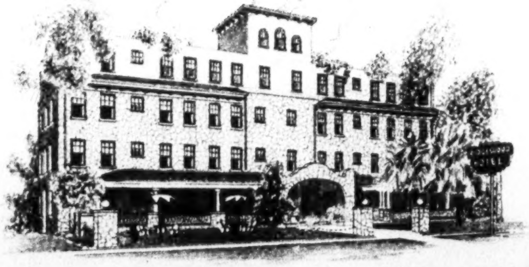
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.,

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

As a member of the Birthday Club of your College I am enclosing ck. for $7.35 Receipt may be sent to this Hotel.

Yours very truly,
Margaret A. Fairbanks
[Mrs. Geo. A.]

Home address
Newport, N. H.



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THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
CORPORATE NAME
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS
347 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK
MURRAY HILL 6-1200

March 5, 1941

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Flordia

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Enclosed you will find a check for fifteen dollars, ($15.00), which I am contributing to your school. I intended to give this to you when you were here in Atlanta last week, but the pressure of our program kept me so occupied that it slipped my mind.

I shall write you an official letter later on today with regard to the situation here in Georgia.

Very cordially yours,

R W Bullock

R. W. Bullock.

RWB:ewm

Enclosure.

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RUSSELL SAGE FOUNDATION
130 EAST 22D STREET
NEW YORK CITY

SHELBY M. HARRISON
GENERAL DIRECTOR

March 6, 1941

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your letter of February 25th together with the printed matter descriptive of Bethune-Cookman College have been received. I have read your letter with interest and have gone over some of the printed matter. Indeed, I may say that your request has had the sympathetic consideration which was hoped for. At the same time, we are not able to give you a favorable reply.

The Russell Sage Foundation has no available funds at present for any new grants. For a number of years, our commitments and expenditures have been in excess of our income, and this situation does not promise to change in the very immediate future. Moreover, a number of responsibilities which have a first claim upon the Foundation, and the meeting of which has had to be postponed for several years, will need to be given prior consideration when funds become available.

Perhaps fully as controlling as the situation to which I have already referred, is the fact that the Russell Sage Foundation early in its history adopted a general policy of not making grants to colleges or universities. This was not because of any lack of appreciation of the importance of such institutions, but because the Trustees believed that the American public could and would support our college institutions, and that the Russell Sage Foundation should devote its resources to the special field of social work, and the allied and growing fields of social welfare.

Moreover, I might add that this Foundation is not primarily a contributing organization. Its aim is to give service rather than subsidies. This service is given largely through its own departments. The support of these departments and the honoring of grants to which it is already committed will absorb its income for a long period ahead.

Regretting that I cannot give you a more satisfactory reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

Shelby M. Harrison

MA

1853 Moncrief Ave
Jacksonville Fla
March 14th 1941

Dr Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

My dear Mrs Bethune:

I read with interest of your miracle achievement in the work of your calling. the greatest of all of these is that you have arranged that under whatever circumstances you retire or are retired your labor will be cared for under a management of an incorporated board, so it will always be held in tact for the education & upliftment of this Race of ours Who's education mean more now than ever.

I shall always keep the paper clipping amoung my many clippings.

Should you put this report in pamphlet form please send me a copy.

Please find inclosed check for $25.00 Twenty five dollars.

I am sorry my Grandson is not abel to have duplicated this, owing to his pressed condition for money. Please accept my heartiest Congratulations for your noble & grand work for this oppressed race & ours. I sincerely hope for your good health.

Respectfully
S. H. Hart

P. S. Enclosed find a dollar for your school.

Donor

Forestville Parent-Teacher Association
622 East 45th Street
Chicago, Illinois

3/41

My dear dear Mrs. Bethune:—

I received the receipt and your very kind note. Thanks a great deal. I shall try to contribute from time to time, whenever I possibly can.

May I assure you that I was truly happy to attend the conference in Atlanta, Georgia and greatly appreciate your wanting me to be there as it was of great educational and inspirational value to me. My principal was kind, enough to make it possible for me to leave school to attend the Conference because when I mentioned your name he immediately without any question felt that it would be worth his making any necessary arrangements. He would greatly appreciate your speaking to our assembly at some time, but I explained that you were quite busy and got here only occasionally. If you are ever here and not too busy, we would be so very happy to have you.

Dear Mrs. Bethune, do call on me for any help I might give, at any time. It would be impossible for me not to have an intence interest in the N. Y. A. after living with Charles for almost six years because he veritably lives N. Y. A. and breathes it.

In spite of the fact that I miss him terribly now that he is away so much, there is some consolation in knowing that he is doing a great and much needed work and giving service to our people. You are a great inspiration to him, and as long as he is following you I am happy. If he gives one small percentage of the kind of service you have given, any sacrifice is worthwhile. We love you a great great deal.

Yours
Alice C. Browning

MRS. C. BROOKS STEVENS

176 S. Beach Street, Ormond, Florida

Donor

April 1st 41

Bethune Cookman College,

Dean Bond, Acting President,

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check for $50.00, my contribution to the college for this year

Sincerely yours,

Edith Ames Stevens

(Mrs C. Brooks Stevens)

General Donor

Donor

DENISON UNIVERSITY
FOUNDED 1831
GRANVILLE, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE
PRESIDENT

April 28, 1941

President Mary M. Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

My wife and I remember with great pleasure our visit to you and your college some five years ago. Miss Marcia Henry and Miss Margaret Rhodes speak of you whenever we see them.

During the winter months the Denison students have been putting on a Denison Student Relief Drive. The effort has been their own, and they have succeeded in raising something like $1300. The Student Senate, charged with the use of the money, decided to give one-third to Chinese Student Relief and one-third to European Student Relief. These two apportionments are to be handled through the World Student Federation.

The third third was divided in four parts, and when they came to me for suggestions where it might be sent, I told them of you and the grand work you are doing at Bethune-Cookman College. They accepted the suggestion and the announcement is being made in chapel this morning that a little more than $100 will be sent to Bethune-Cookman. You will be hearing directly from the student president, and I am not meaning to anticipate their letter. I did want to make the suggestion, however, that if you could use this money for some rather tangible need or in some way that might dramatize the student friendships of our two colleges, it would, I think, mean much to our group, and there is a possibility that if sufficient interest was aroused, the students might be willing to continue this gesture of goodwill another year.

If I sound as if $100 were a million, forgive me, but I am eager that the experience to our own group would be such to bring them in as close touch as possible to other campuses. I am sure you will understand.

If ever you and your singers come north, I hope you will let me have word, for it would be a great pleasure for us to have you at Denison.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth I. Brown

Kenneth I. Brown
President

Bowen

DR. C. L. ECCLESTON
SURGEON DENTIST
PHONE: 7712 553 W. CHURCH STREET
ORLANDO, FLORIDA

Deceased

5/7/41

Business Mana ger
Bethune Cookman Coelege
Daytona Beach Fla.

Dear Sir:-

Please find enclosed $ 5.00 as promised by the Dept.Colored Veterans of the World War.This amount a s you are well acquainted is to be awarded to the student,as the institution sees fit that has shown a proper interpretation of the Constitution of the United States.

Your President wrote me some time ago tha t the way would be worked outby the proper persons to institute this ~~pa-tietic~~ Patriotic movement.

Our Dept.is not so well known in the state as many other elder erga nization,so we shall be too gla d if you could give some publicity to this sma ll effort we are making to help the young people of our Group.

Throughout the sta te in our local,district,and state oratorical contests,we have given awayover two hundred dollars this yea r.The la rgest amount was to Lawarance Reddick of Fla .A&M.

This year,in the monthh of July our Convention meets in Tallaha ssee,at which time we expect to have our State Oratorical Contest,the winner will be awarded$100.00 to apply to his her or her expenses of the school of thier choice.The next recieves $15.00. I am taking this medium of extending an invitation to as many as ma y find it convenient to attend.

I shall look to hear from you and to know the winner of this prize,so that I may be able to report it to the Convention.

Thankiny you for your cooperation,

Truly yours.
C.L.Eccleston
State Chrm.Ex. Comm.
[illegible]

C L Eccleston

82 KIRKSTALL ROAD NEWTONVILLE MASSACHUSETTS

Donor

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Here is my $10. to help you on your budget. I wish I could make it more, but will try to make it annual anyway if taxes do not take all my margin.

With all good wishes to you and your fine work,

Sincerely yours,
Josephine R. Eddy
(Mrs. D. Brewer —)

May 12/41.

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Denison University,
Granville, Ohio,
May 16, 1941

Miss Mary M. Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Miss Bethune:

We have before us your letter of May 14, expressing appreciation for the Denison contribution and indicating the manner in which you intend to use the money. In regard to the first point, be assured that you and your splendid institution are entirely welcome to the little that we have been able to extend in your direction. Our only wish is that the contribution could have been greater, for we have confidence in the type of service you are doing with fellow students in your area.

In regard to the second point, please feel entirely free to go ahead with your plans in granting scholarships with the donation to worthy students. We had hoped that you would prefer to use the money in that manner. In this way you will be assisting directly needy students, and also will be formally recognizing superior talent and initiative in the student body.

The finest wishes for continued success and a profitable Commencement from the student body, our president, and the Student Senate, accompany our own perssonal regards.

Very sincerely yours,

Ira M. Price II

Mr. Ira M. Price II
Miss Madeline Kupp

Warren

QUINTA QUERIDA
1541 LOMBARDY ROAD
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

My dear Mrs Bethune,

I am glad you reminded me my annual contribution is due. It is herewith enclosed. I often remember with pleasure the privilege of meeting you here in my home several years ago. With all good wishes for you and your work.

Sincerely
Margaret Fleming
(Mrs Thos. Fleming Jr)

May 19

Y. W. C. A.
Mrs. Evans B. Wood
Mrs. R. E. Stevens

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May 28, 1941

Bethune-Cookman YWCA
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Mesdames:

Enclosed you will find check of the Community Fund in the amount of $70.00. This amount represents the participation of your organization in the proceeds of the Community Fund drive recently completed.

We should like to take this opportunity of thanking your organization and its personnel for their assistance in the conducting of the same.

Very truly yours,

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July 1, 1941

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

With further reference to your letter of June 11, 1941, addressed to Mrs. Roosevelt, relative to the use of peanut soup in Army Camps, if you will advise the Subsistence Branch, Office of the Quartermaster General, where and at what cost samples of the product may be obtained, a test will be made to ascertain its suitability and practicability for Army use.

Yours very truly,

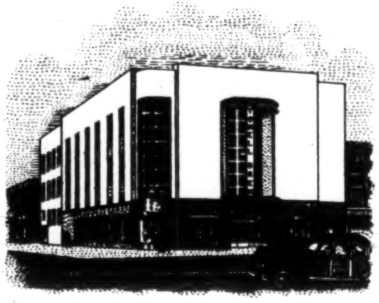
(Signed) Robert P. Patterson
Under Secretary of War

Lanham, Maryland,
July, 17, 1941,

Bethune-Cookman,

Enclose, my check for my donation for the first semester of the next term in your school

Respectfully,
Mrs W. John Early,



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Mary McLeod Bethune,
President Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear President Bethune:

Congratulations on your 37th Anniversary.

The worth of Bethune-Cookman College to Daytona Beach is well known and appreciated by this firm.

As in the past we wish to contribute toward the support of your institution and herewith enclose our check in the amount of $25.00.

Wishing you the best of success in your campaign and for the future we are,

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Yours very truly,

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MISS ANN BARTHOLOMEW
BEAVER ~~SAWYER~~ HALL, DENISON UNIVERSITY
GRANVILLE, OHIO

Done

December 8, 1941

Dear President Bethune,

I am writing on behalf of the Denison Student Government Association. We students here at Denison should like very much to know how Bethune - Cookman College spent the money given to them last spring by our students. Did you use the money for anything particular that would be of interest to us?

Best wishes for a happy holiday and for a good school year.

Yours truly,
Ann Bartholomew
Secretary D. S. G. A.

General Correspondence (Outgoing)

January [illegible], 1941.

Mr. L. A. Roy,
Phelps-Stokes Fund,
101 Park Avenue,
New York, New York.

My dear Mr. Roy:

May we express our deepest gratitude to you for your letter of December 31st, and for the generous contribution of one hundred dollars to maintenance, from the Phelps-Stokes Fund.

I cannot tell you how much encouragement, as well as help, this gift has brought to our Institution and to me. We are having a desperate struggle to maintain our work this year and the help of those who believe in us is most welcome. Although we started 1939-40 with a deficit of seven thousand dollars, we closed the year in the clear and we are doing our utmost to maintain this record. We do not want to fall behind again.

Please express to your Board our sincere appreciation for their interest and confidence during all of these years. The help of friends has enabled us to bring the work to this point and we shall continue to try to merit their confidence and support.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Board

January 7, 1941

Mrs. E. C. Henderson
233 East 48th Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Henderson:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $10.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of ten dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College at this time. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated.

We solicit your continued interest in our work. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Dance

January 7, 1941

Mr. Sylvester W. Bryant
P. O. Box 364
Milton, Florida

Dear Mr. Bryant:

Thank you for your letter of January 2, and for your desire to come to Bethune-Cookman College as a member of our staff.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application for consideration should an unexpected opening occur.

We thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 7, 1941

Mr. Waymon H. Stone
P. O. Box 1332
Haines City, Florida

My dear Waymon,

Thank you for your letter of December 31st. I was very happy to hear from you and to know that you are married.

I suggest that you write to the Housing Authority of Lakeland, making application for the position of Manager or care-taker of the Proposed Housing Project. You may use my name as reference and I shall be glad to send a letter of recommendation for you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 17, 1941

Mrs. Annie Hardy
715 South 8th Street
Fernandina, Florida

My dear Mrs. Hardy:

We are so grateful to you for your contribution of $1.00 to the student-teacher rally for your daughter, Willie Mae Hardy. We enclose official receipt for same.

We are giving a prize of $25.00 to the student who raises the largest amount over $25.00. We hope your daughter will be the one to receive this prize.

We solicit your continued interest and hope you will find it possible to become a permanent sponsor of Bethune-Cookman College by giving us a small sum yearly.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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January 23, 1941.

Dr. D. S. Selmore,
2602 Twenty-ninth Street,
Tampa, Florida.

My dear Dr. Selmore:

We are just as truly depending upon you to do this publicity work for the College as you are depending upon us for the proper arrangements.

I had a talk with Bishop King in Cincinnati and find that he definitely approves of this idea. We think the Church needs this representation throughout the State and certainly the people need to have the program of Bethune-Cookman College interpreted to them, in order that they may give to us the material aid that we need.

We agreed that you would be paid twelve hundred dollars a year and that this money would be furnished through the Conference. I shall be present at the Conference and we shall work out the details definitely. You have not started, up to this point, because we had no money in the college treasury to advance to you the funds that you would need until the Conference had actually approved the idea. Hence, it is wise now to wait until the Conference meets.

We are all interested in this proposed plan, for we feel that it will bring real relief to the College. I want you to come up here and study the school, in order that you may be intelligent on all phases of our work.

Hoping to see you at the Annual Conference,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 24, 1941.

Mr. George Schuyler,
270 Convent Avenue,
New York, New York.

My dear George Schuyler,

We are all so interested to know that you are making another tour of the country and that you will be in this section in late March and late April.

I wish I could say to you - "come to Bethune-Cookman" - but it is impossible for me to do so, under the circumstances. Our School is on a Forum Lecture Circuit that brings us nine weekly lecturers during the season. In addition we have two concerts, using outside artists, and it is impossible for us to make any additions to the present program. I would like so much to have my students to hear you and know you for you are doing so much to advance the Cause of the Negro in this country. I want you to come and spend a little time here with us, to study our work. It seems shameful that we are not in position to have you come for the small charge that you are making. It is really embarrassing to me, but the material conditions here are acute.

I am enclosing one of the letters that a National Committee is sending all over the country.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 4, 1941

Miss Irma D. Minott
452 West 149 Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Minott:

Thank you for your letter of January 27 and for your desire to come to Bethune-Cookman College as a member of our staff - or to secure a teaching position in the State of Florida.

I suggest that you write to some of the county Superintendents of Florida and file your application for a position in one of the rural or high schools. You may secure a list of the Superintendents from Mr. D. E. Williams Public Instruction, Tallahassee, Florida.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 4, 1941

Bluefield State Teachers College
Bluefield, West Virginia

Gentlemen;

The Business Manager of Bethune-Cookman College is - Mrs. Bertha L. Mitchell.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 5, 1941.

My dear Mr. Fillebrown:

I pray that Mrs. Fillebrown's health is improving and that Our Father's choice blessings are yours and hers.

I am just sending this note to you - because of your interest in us - to say that Bethune-Cookman College is desperately in need of funds for maintenance. Every possible effort is being put forth to meet the pressing operation needs. It is hardly necessary to explain to you, dear friend, for you know the strain that faces in any period when philanthropy slackens.

We are doing everything we can to conserve, retrench and to find new friends and funds. A committee of friends is sending out letters, as the enclosed, and we hope that some aid will come as a result.

If you have us in your mind and your heart this year, Mr. Fillebrown, please know that we will be more than grateful for anything you may do.

Blessings upon you and Mrs. Fillebrown.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mr. H. M. Fillebrown,
815 North Oleander Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

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February 7, 1941

Mrs. Mary Foster McDavid,
State Jeanes Agent and
President of the National Congress of
Colored Parents and Teachers
254 South Jackson Street
Montgomery, Alabama

My dear Mrs. McDavid:

May I extend my congratulations to you for the very fine address you made over Wings Over Jordan last Sunday - February 2nd. I listened to you with great proud and appreciation. Blessings upon all of your work.

Please accept my sincere thanks for the fine list of people you have sent us. I hope that through this list we may get a few interested people who will help the school in a financial way.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 7, 1941

Mrs. Caroline M. Mosby
Nurse-in-Charge
Villa Monica Convalescent Home
107-25 171st Place
Merrick Park
Jamaica, Long Island

My dear Mrs. Mosby:

Thank you very much for your letter.

I know nothing of the Mrs. Marshall you speak of in your letter. She has been going all over the country telling people that she is a personal friend of mine and getting them to give her orders for books. She is a fraud and I hope somebody will soon catch up with her. I truly do not know her. I don't know why she uses me as an alibi.

I am delighted to note your forth coming concert. Your program is grand. I do not know that I will be in New York any time soon. I am afraid I will have to be denied the opportunity of appearing on your program. I hope all that you need will be granted.

I am here trying to think what can be done for Bethune-Cookman College. These are very serious days for us. The load has been tremendiously heavy for me during the thirty-six years I have struggled here. My mind and body have bent - the load is too heavy. Please think of us. If you have some friends who you think might become interested, please send us their names and addresses.

I remember very vividly having chatted with you. Blessings upon all of your efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 7, 1941

Mrs. J. W. E. Bowen
1564 Valmont Street
New Orlenans, Louisiana

My dear Mrs. Bowen:

It is a shame to be answering your letter of January 2nd on February 5th, but it has just reached me. I have been traveling and your letter has been following me around.

I shall not be in New Orleans any time soon. I shall be here in Daytona Beach the most of February and March. I am leaving today for Washington, but will be back here at my desk by next Wednesday. I hope it will be possible for you to run down here in order that we may talk over matters pertaining to the National Youth Administration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 12, 1941.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

I was in Washington last week-end, to broadcast on Sunday, but returned immediately to Daytona Beach. I shall not be there, therefore on February 14th and 15th. I shall be sorry to miss you but will look forward to seeing you next month.

Thank you for your full letters in regard to Bethune-Cookman. It means so much to me to have your thought and active interest at this time. I shall write you more fully within a few days.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Church,
810 Broadway,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Hall

February 12, 1941

Mr. Woolsey W. Hall
1330 Wallach Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hall:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. Your interest, influence and material help means so much to us during these strenuous days and we want you to be assured of our gratitude.

We solicit your continued interest and cooperation. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 13, 1941

The Courtesy Committee of
Keyser Laboratory School
Bethune-Cookman College

My dear little Darlings,

Please accept my sincere thanks for your letter of appreciation to me. I was so happy to have the opportunity to visit you and to find you doing such splendid work. I hope I shall have a chance to come again. Just know that Mrs. Bethune loves each of you.

I want each of you to take time out from your studies and send a little letter of thanks to Mrs. Cannon for the fine work she is doing for us.

Lots of love to all of my little sweet hearts,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 18, 1941

Mrs. Missouri J. Early
Lanham, Maryland

My dear Mrs. Early:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your Scholarship donation in the amount of $30.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please know, Mrs. Early, that we are grateful for this manifestation of your interest in the education of our Negro boys and girls. Your contribution of thirty dollars will help some worthy boy or girl to remain in school another quarter. God bless you, my dear friend, and give you new strength, and courage. We want you to be assured of our deep gratitude for what you are doing for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1941

Mr. Frank C. Cambridge, III
Postoffice Box 106
Old Town, Florida

My dear Mr. Cambridge:

I have received your letter and note with interest the work you are doing. Have we an NYA project there? Are you working in connection with it? I shall be very glad to see the things you are making. It seems to me that it would take a great deal of time for you to come all the way up here to bring them. I suggest that you send me samples of the work you are doing. I shall be very happy to see them.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1941

Mrs. Sallie G. Sheppard
2424 East 84th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Sheppard:

I have read your letter of February 11th with a great deal of interest and wish very much there was some way I could help you. I understand very thoroughly what you desire.

I think if you would go to Mrs. Jane Hunter she could help you. She lives at 4450 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. It would not be wise for me to have you come all the way down here when you can get what you want there in Cleveland. Please that I am interested and sympathetic for you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1941

Rev. D. S. Selmore,
2602 Twenty-ninth Street,
Tampa, Florida

My dear Rev. Selmore:

I can never tell you how disappointed I have been in the action of the Conference on this matter. I do not know just what we can do. Bethune-Cookman College very much needs the assistance of the Church and the Negro people at large. You can think about it and if there is anything that can be done, I shall be very happy.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1941

Mr. Herbert E. B. Case
14 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Case:

It thrills my very soul to receive your letter stating that Walter Clarence Wynn is considering foreign mission service as an ordained missionary in West Africa. I must first say God bless him. He is such a fine fellow. We were privileged to help in his early training here at Bethune-Cookman College. He has rounded out into a fine, cultured young minister, ready for work I believe in any field he may feel called upon to enter. I am happy to give my word of commendation for him.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1941

Mr. B. B. Baggett
502 North Grandview
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Baggett:

Please accept our sincere gratitude for your check in the amount of $125.00, for use of our Auditorium for the Wings Over Jordan Concert. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We are happy to know that the Concert was a success.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1941

Mrs. George A. Fairbanks
Ridgewood Hotel
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Fairbanks:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $7.35 to the Birthday Club of Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We can never tell you how much your contribution of seven dollars thirty-five cents means to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and the help of friends is greatly appreciated. We want you to be assured of our gratitude for this manifestation of your interest in the work we are endeavoring to do here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 7, 1941

Mrs. Emma F. Smith
P. O. Box 63 - 22nd St. Station
St. Petersburg, Florida

My dear Mrs. Smith;

May I express my sincere thanks to you and the Women of your Club for your letter of February 24th and for your kind invitation to speak for you in March or May.

I wish it was possible for me to give you a favorable reply. I am not very well and I am trying to do as little work as possible in the way of public speaking. I am afraid I will have to be denied the privilege of speaking to your group. I regret exceedingly my inability to accept your invitation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 10, 1941

Mrs. Beth Levin Siegel
330 West 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Siegel:

Thank you for your letter of March 7th. I am feeling very much better.

I am very glad to send you a statement on the Negro in the Present American Social Order.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 12, 1941

Mr. R. W. Bullock
National Youth Administration
Region Office
Room 325, 239 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Bullock:

I wish to express my sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $15.00 to Bethune-Cookman College and for the fine arrangement that you made for our Conference there. I am thrilled over the results we have had. I am proud of you young fellows who are standing straight up by me, pushing when necessary and pulling when pulling is needed.

I very definitely agree with the suggestion concerning Schell. He showed a very bad spirit even during our Conference there.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of your contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
Director, Division of Negro Affairs.

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Director, Division of Negro Affairs.

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March 14, 1941

Miss Catherine Reid Stowball
179 Central Avenue
Saint Augustine, Florida

Dear Miss Stowball:

Thank you for your letter of February 24th and for the clippings. I am delighted to know of the fine work you are doing with your group of girls.

My program is so full until I cannot say just what time I can visit you. I must return to Washington around April the first. Please continue to carry on the good work and know that I will visit you whenever it is possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 14, 1941

Mrs. Irene Roberts Straughter
6236 N. W. 14th Avenue
Miami, Florida

My dear Irene,

It is so lovely to hear from you and to know that you are keeping us in mind.

I shall be very glad to have you write a thesis on my work in the community and something concerning the Tomoka Missions. We will have to go too far back in our files to find this information that you are requesting. Just think back and write whatever you can remember about the Tomoka Missions. I know you can do it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

March 22, 1941.

Mr. S. H. Hart,
1053 Moncrief Avenue,

Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Friend:

Bless you for your heartening letter of March 14 and for your generous contribution of twenty-five dollars to our maintenance fund. Your continued warm interest and friendship mean so much to me at this time, and I am stimulated to even greater effort because of them.

I have noted your statements in regard to the newspaper article. My trustees insisted that I remain active head of the Institution for another year, during which time every possible effort will be put forth to insure the permanency of this very real work. Please continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can. We need our friends now more than ever before in the history of the school.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

March 22, 1941

Mrs. Jennie Hammond
241 Grandview Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Hammond:

Thank you for your donation of five dollars, receipt for which is enclosed, in payment of your subscription made on All-States Day, for Pennsylvania.

The generous response of local residents and winter visitors in Daytona Beach is bringing welcome relief to the financial strain at the College. The total of the All-States Day collection has not reached two hundred thirty dollars.

We deeply appreciate your continued interest and loyalty to this immediate need.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 24, 1941

Mrs. L. C. Hart
1620 Third Avenue
Bradenton, Florida

My dear Mrs. Hart:

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

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March 24, 1941

Mr. Robert Evans
611 F Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Evans:

We have received, through Mrs. C. C. Smith, your recent generous contribution of five dollars to our Special Spring Drive for College maintenance. The gifts that she brought down to us from washington friends were reported at the Community Dinner held last Thursday night and they helped materially to swell the total raised for the immediate needs of the College. You will be interested to know that the total of cash receipts reported was twenty-four hundred dollars. This gives me so much encouragment, helps so much to lift the load from my shoulders.

God bless you, my friend, for your continued interest and confidence in us. Your gift is just another evidence of your good-will toward the Institution and toward me, and it is deeply appreciated. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

Our work continues to go forward. I shall return to Washington next week and when I see you I will tell you of the many activities here during these weeks that I have spent on the campus since leaving the Washington office.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 24, 1941

Miss M. B. Edwards
8 Arnett Boulevard
Rochester, New York

My dear Miss Edwards:

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We can never tell you how much your contribution of one dollar means to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and the help of friends is greatly appreciated.

We solicit your continued interest and cooperation and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 24, 1941

Mr. C. R. M. Sheppard
Purchasing Agent and Maintenance Director
Stetson University
DeLand, Florida

My dear Mr. Sheppard:

We remember with great interest your visit with us sometime ago and the stimulus talk you gave us on the business management of the Institution.

We are sending you a copy of our Financial Statements to the Board of Trustees for your study and suggestions. We shall be glad to receive any suggestions that you might have to offer us. We hope you will find it convenient to come over one day and give a little time to our business management, so that we might be able to strengthen any weak points that we may have. I remember your Father with great interest in my early days here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 26, 1941

Dr. M. J. Holmes, Vice President
Illinois Wesleyan University
Bloomington, Illinois

My dear Dr. Holmes:

It was wonderful to see you. You looked so well and happy. I wanted very much to talk with you, but the opportunity was not mine.

My Trustees felt that it was very unwise for me to retire at this time. I presented to them my ~~earnest~~ conviction. My thoughts, of course, shall always be first of Bethune-Cookman College. I am here with a determination to continue to do my best. I am growing stronger. I am hoping that there will be some change in our program that will lift some of the load from my shoulders. Your suggestion concerning the Trustees is most wise and timely. I am putting forth every effort to make new adjustments.

I am glad Brawley has been appointed President of Clark. I hope for him great success.

Please always feel free to offer any suggestions you wish.

Congratulations upon being selected to the Vice-Presidency of such fine Institution.

Love to Mrs. Holmes.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 28, 1941

Dr. James E. Shepard, President
North Carolina College for Negroes
Durham, North Carolina

My dear Dr. Shepard:

It just seems tragic to me that you always ask me to come to you at a time when I cannot come. We have been missing each other like this for a number of years. You cannot get here and I cannot get there. We must get together and that speedily. I am going to visit North Carolina College for Negroes this year. You need not arrange any particular time for it. I am just going to be there. I cannot tell now just when but this I know, if I live, I am coming there this year.

What I think you need to do is to make up your mind that you are coming down here and spend a few days studying this institution and try to help me get it on a more permanent bases. I need a strong man like you to help me. You have done it in North Carolina and I want you to show me how to do it here.

I will be in Washington April 1st. Stop by the office sometime and see me.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 28, 1941

Mr. Joseph H. B. Evans
2145 C Street, Northwest

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Evans:

It was so gracious of you to help swell the total of our Drive for Maintenance Funds, through your contribution of ten dollars. We received this amount as part of Mrs. Denniston's report, and enclose official receipt for it.

You will be interested to know that the total cash returns from the Spring Maintenance Drive have gone over the twenty-four-hundred-dollar figure. This figure is exclusive of pledges to be paid in the future. This cooperation and help from friends all over the country bring great relief to our operating budget at this time.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 29, 1941.

Campbell Street High School,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Attention of Mrs. Mildred Peterson and
Mrs. Mae Reese Hawkins.

Dear Friends:

Never before in the history of small College has there been greater need for the program fostered in schools of the type of Bethune-Cookman College. It is the obligation of such institutions to train young minds to constructive thinking, to develop their mental, manual and spiritual abilities in order that they may ~~[illegible]~~ give maximum service in a changing, demanding world.

Bethune-Cookman College could not continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it.

The vote of confidence extended to the College through the efforts of our own Community and friends from other sections in the "Special Spring Drive, was doubly encouraging, doubly helpful because of the present vital importance of our service to youth. May we express to you, as representative of , to all who worked with you and contributed through you, our deep gratitude for your gift of $ to the Special Spring Drive which closed on March 20th. May we express our appreciation also for your support of the Community Dinner in the Auditorium.

Official receipt in the name of your Organization is enclosed. Postal card acknowledgments are being sent to all individual contributors of $1.00 or more. The total Contributions, to date, is $2,453.49.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 31, 1941

Mrs. Alice C. Browning
4019 Vincennes Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mrs. Browning:

Thank you for your interesting letter and for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We are grateful for this manifestation of your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. We are badly in need of friends with means to help carry forward the work we are endeavoring to do here.

We are so happy to have Charles on the field working in behalf of the NYA program. He is doing a grand job.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Local

April 1, 1941

Mr. E. S. Hamlen
1023 North Halifax Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Hamlen:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 , credit on Cabin Expense, to Bethune-Cookman College. We are grateful for this manifestation of your interest and confidence in our Institution.

We solicit your continued interest and cooperation. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2, 1941

Mrs. Helen S. Eyward
121 S. Grandview Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Eyward:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, given in connection with our All-States Day program. This amount has been credited to the state of Vermont. We have received $41.67 in cash and $50.67 in pledges from Vermont, to date.

We can never tell you how much your contribution of one dollar means to the College. Bethune-Cookman College could not continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program is dependent upon those who believe in it. We are badly in need of new friends to help carry forward the work we are endeavoring to do here. Just know, Mrs. Eyward, that we are grateful for this manifestation of your interest and confidence in our Institution.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1941.

Mrs. Mary Stanley,
336 Sheldon Street,
New Smyrna Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Shanley:

It was so gracious of you to give material evidence of your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College, through your donation of $10.00 to the Student-Teacher Rally, which recently closed with the Special Spring Drive. Mrs. Wallace, teacher of the 3rd grade of the Keyser Laboratory School, reported this gift with the total of her Grade, and because of your generous consideration, her grade led the school in its contribution to the Rally.

We are mindful of your friendship and the use of your influence for us in New Smyrna. Just know that we are so grateful to you for it and value your friendship. Without the help and influence of friends like you we would not be able to carry forward the Christian education program of this Institution.

God bless you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1941

Mrs. C. Brooks Stevens
176 Beach Street
Ormond, Florida

My dear Mrs. Stevens:

Bless you for your continued interest and warm friendship. For all of these years it has meant so much to have the active support of local friends, like you.

Bethune-Cookman College could not continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it. Your recent contribution of $50.00 was doubly encouraging, doubly helpful because of the present vital importance of our service to youth. May we express to you our deep gratitude for your gift of fifty dollars. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 11, 1941

Mr. C. T. Hawley
32 Franklin
Wooster, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Hawley:

Bless you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $5.00 toward the expense of one of our boys summer school expenses. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please know that we are grateful for this manifestation of your interest in our Institution. Bethune-Cookman College could not continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it. We have so many worthy boys and girls who are begging for an opportunity to remain in school this summer and work in order that they may be able to continue their work next term. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help as many as we can. God bless you for your gift of five dollars.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 17, 1941

Mrs. Gertrude R. Swain
Box 99
Jasper, Florida

Dear Mrs. Swain:

Thank you for your letter of April 2, stating your desire to secure work with the National Youth Administration. I do not know of an opening on the program of the NYA at the present. I shall keep you in mind and should I hear of an opening, I will get in touch with you.

If you desire further information on the program of the National Youth Administration, you may write me at my Washington office. The address is 2145 C Street, Northwest, Washington.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 2, 1941.

Dr. Kenneth I. Brown, President,
Denison University,
Granville, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Brown:

Your letter of April 28 brought tears of gratitude to my eyes. I recall with so much pleasure the visit of you and Mrs. Brown some years ago - the inspiration and encouragement you gave to us in the struggle of maintaining our program. It is so gratifying to know that we still have your interest and good-will and the use of your influence in behalf of our work. God bless you, dear friend.

We shall be so pleased to receive the gift from the students of Denison University. We are most grateful to you for calling attention to our work here. You know how welcome their contribution will be during these late days in the fiscal year when we are putting forth every possible effort to meet our operating budget. If it meets the approval of the student president and you, we would like to have this gift credited to Scholarship Donations, to be used to help two worthy, needy graduating students - perhaps a boy and a girl - who, because of financial incapacity - would be unable to complete their work this year without this aid. We have quite a few students of this type and our selection of the beneficiaries would be made carefully and with a view to the future usefulness of the students. In this way, the gift would serve a double purpose - it would provide help to the school and help to the individual students. To have these awards made in the name of the students of Denison University would have great value in dramatizing the student friendship between the two groups and would be a real incentive to our entire Bethune-Cookman population. Please let me know if this plan is acceptable.

I have noted your request for an engagement of our singers and assure you that we will notify you when they tour that section.

With deep gratitude to you and your splendid students, and sincere good wishes for the continued success of your great work, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College

Daytona Beach, Florida

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, PRESIDENT
BERTHA L. MITCHELL, SECRETARY-TREASURER
ATTY. THOMAS T. COBB, ENDOWMENT TREASURER

May 2, 1941

Mrs. A. W. Esleeck
528 South Palmetto Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Esleeck:

In April of last year you were kind enough to make a contribution of five dollars to the Maintenance Budget of Bethune-Cookman College.

As a result of your aid and that of other friends scattered all over the country, we were able to close the last fiscal year without a deficit and thus hold our standards. During this year we have been putting forth the strongest possible effort to maintain this record, but our income has been greatly reduced and our small endowment and student fees are insufficient to meet even the decreased budget of expense.

It is our earnest conviction that this type of threefold Christian training that we offer Negro boys and girls here is needed now more than ever before in the school's history. Our young people will be called upon to make unusual adjustments in the next few years. We have revised our program to include more and more industries, more training in practical things and more opportunities for exposing them to the specialized mechanical pursuits related to America's Defense program. Our students are poor, they cannot pay their way fully and we must help them even though it means the increasingly difficult task of finding funds to meet everyday maintenance needs.

We sincerely hope that you will keep Bethune-Cookman College on your list of worthy enterprises, deserving your good-will, your influence and aid this year. Every Dollar received is an investment in the lives of better Americans, better trained for living and serving in a day like this.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Mary McLeod Bethune.

I enclose Check for
five dollars—
Martha R. Esleeck

Done

May 5, 1941

Mr. Sylvanus Hart, III
Howard University
School of Music
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hart:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and the help of friends is greatly appreciated.

Bethune-Cookman College could not continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it. Bless you for your share in making it possible for us to carry forward the work we are endeavoring to do, here.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 6, 1941

Mrs. A. W. Esleeck
528 South Palmetto Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Esleeck:

Bless you for your continued interest and warm friendship. For all of these years it has meant so much to have the active support of friends like you.

Your contribution of five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College at this time. It was very kind of you to make such a prompt response to our appeal of May 2. May God bless you efforts and may you continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 10, 1941

Rev. Daimon S. Selmore
District Superintendent
Gulf District of the Methodist Church
2602 - 29th Street
Tampa, Florida

My dear Rev. Selmore:

You have received the printed announcement of the Commencement events at Bethune-Cookman College this month. We sincerely hope that you will be with us for a part, if not all, of the commencement season.

We are very eager to have a large representation of our Methodist ministers and constituency at the "Methodist Roll Call" on Commencement morning, May 19, 1941, at 10 o'clock. You know how much we need the moral and material support of all Methodism in the State. Our record of accomplishment and Christian service merit the support of the Church during these days of stress. Our Bishop is laying aside important duties in the Area in order that he may serve us as Commencement speaker on the afternoon of May 19th. We should give him the encouragement of a splendid showing at this, the close of the first academic year that he has been guiding us.

We are earnestly requesting that you, as superintendent of the Gulf District, use your influence in behalf of a large attendence at the "Roll Call" as scheduled. Please send us, by return mail, a list of the new pastors assigned to the charges at the last conference of your District. We will send special invitations to the individual ministers. Printed announcements have been sent to each charge, but we did not know the names of the ministers, in many instances. The strongest possible backing of the District Superintendents will be necessary to have a large attendence and we are depending upon you to have your ministers here.

Blessings on you. We shall be so glad to see you here during the Commencement season.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 21, 1941

Mrs. Fannie E. Forbes
12 High Street
Westborough, Massachusetts

My dear Mrs. Forbes:

Bless you for your continued interest and warm friendship. For all of these years it has meant so much to have the active support of friends like you.

Your generous contribution of $25.00 has been credited to General Scholarship Fund and has thus helped some worthy boy or girl to complete his or her work. We had forty-four young men and women to redeive their Diplomas May 19, 1941.

Bethune-Cookman College could not continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it.

Please know, Mrs. Forbes, that we are grateful for your share in making it possible for us to continue the work we are endeavoring to do here.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of your contribution.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 21, 1941

Mrs. D. Brewer Eddy
82 Kirkstall Road
Newtonville, Massachusetts

My dear Mrs. Eddy:

Bless you for your continued interest and warm friendship. For all of these years it has meant so much to have the active support of friends like you.

Your contribution of $10.00 brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College at this time. We are putting forth the strongest possible effort to close the fiscal year without a deficit and the contributions from friends, large or small, are greatly appreciated.

Bethune-Cookman College could not continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends, like you. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it.

Please know, Mrs. Eddy, that we are grateful for your share in making it possible for us to continue this work we are endeavoring to do here.

We solicit your continued interest and cooperation.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 23, 1941

Mr. J. Irving E. Scott, Principal
Cookman Public School
1901 Davis Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mr. Scott:

Thank you for your letter of May 11. I have read it with interest and understanding. I am very glad to hear from you and to know that you have continued to study and have done so well. It has been so long since I have heard from you.

I wish it was possible for me to refer you to some good government position at the present or to some position on the program of the National Youth Administration. I do not know of anything at the present. However, I shall keep you in mind and should I learn of a vacancy or an opening in keeping with you training, I shall get in touch with you.

I suggest that you send your application along with a sheet contining your training and experience to my Washington office - 2145 C Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 26, 1941

Mrs. Thomas Fleming
Quinta Querida
1541 Lombardy Road
Pasadena, California

My dear Mrs. Fleming:

Bless you for your continued interest and warm friendship. For all of these years it has meant so much to have the active support of friends like you.

We can never tell you how helpful your contribution of twenty-five dollars is at this time. We are putting forth the strongest possible effort to close the fiscal year without a deficit and the contributions from friends, large or small, are greatly appreciated.

Bethune-Cookman College could not continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it.

Please know, Mrs. Fleming, that we are grateful for your share in making it possible for us to continue the work we are endeavoring to do here.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of your contribution.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 1, 1941

Mr. Homer P. Clark
West Publishing Co.
St. Paul, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Clark:

Bless you for your continued interest and warm friendship. For all of these years it has meant so much to have the active support of friends like you.

Your contribution of one hundred dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and contributions from friends, large or small, are greatly appreciated. Bethune-Cookman College could never continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it.

Please know that we are grateful to you for your share in making it possible for us to continue the work we are endeavoring to do here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 2, 1941

Mr. Charles B. Prettyman, Jr.
Vice-President
The Community Fund
356 South Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Prettyman:

May we, on the part of the members of our YMCA and YWCA, express sincere appreciation to you and the members of the Community Fund for your checks in the amount of $70.00 each - representing the participation of our organizations in the proceeds of the Community Drive. We enclose official receipts for these amounts.

It was indeed a pleasure to have our YWCA and YMCA to work with the Community Fund of Daytona Beach. We want you to feel free to call upon us at any time. We are ready to serve wherever and whenever we can.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 3, 1941

Miss Mamie L. Rose
2510 17th Avenue
Tampa, Florida

My dear Miss Rose:

I am writing to you, as President of the Young Women's Christian Association of Bethune-Cookman College for 1941-42, to inform you that the Community Fund of Daytona Beach, Florida, through its Vice-President, Mr. Charles B. Prettyman, Jr., has sent $70.00 (seventy dollars) to the Y. W. C. A. of Bethune-Cookman College. This amount has been receipted by the College, and is held in your Refundable Deposits Account for use upon the order of the Secretary or Treasurer of your organization, countersigned by you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell,
Secretary-Treasurer.

June 3, 1941

Mr. Arthur Townsend,
448 N. Pine Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Townsend;

I am writing to you, as President of the Young Men's Christian Association of Bethune-Cookman College for 1941-42, to inform you that the Community Fund of Daytona Beach, Florida, through its Vice-President, Mr. Charles. B. Prettyman, Jr., has sent $70.00 (seventy dollars) to the Y. M. C. A. of Bethune-Cookman College. This amount has been receipted by the College and is held in your Refundable Deposits Account for use upon the order of the Secretary or Treasurer of your organization, countersigned by you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell,
Secretary-Treasurer.

June 4, 1941

Mrs. Mary Evans
1723 S Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Evans:

Bless you for your interest and warm friendship. For all these years it has meant so much to have the active support of friends like you.

Your contribution of five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and the contributions from friends, large or small, are greatly appreciated. Bethune-Cookman College could never continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it.

Please know, Mrs. Evans, that we are grateful to you for your share in making it possible for us to continue the work we are endeavoring to do here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, PRESIDENT
BERTHA L. MITCHELL, SECRETARY-TREASURER
ATTY. THOMAS T. COBB, ENDOWMENT TREASURER

June 10, 1941.

Miss Agnes Ingelis, (Inglis)
285 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

For - Mr. Marshall Field.

My dear Miss Ingelis;

May I present to you some facts concerning Bethune-Cookman College, its history, its purpose and its program?

Our school is strategically located here in Daytona Beach, for there are one hundred thousand Negroes South of us, clamoring for education and training - for themselves and for their children. The Institution was actually conceived in Faith, for when it was established it was without a concrete educational plan and certainly without maintenance funds. The glaring need of our Negro children of this section, for culture, training and the simplest preparation for living, was the motivating factor in the establishment of this school thirty-six years ago.

The educational program of the College now includes Junior College (Liberal Arts and Sciences) Teacher-Education, Home Economics, Manual Arts and Crafts, Agriculture and Music. This program has evolved during the years from the meager elementary and industrial offerings, with struggle to reach standards and additional struggle to maintain them once they were reached. The Institution was originally a Girls' Industrial School. In 1923 Cookman Institute of Jacksonville merged with our Institution and the school became co-educational. There was no loss of the spiritual and industrial ideals as a result of this merger, for Cookman Institute had a purpose similar to our own. The merged College has grown, expanded and served a steadily increasing group of young people since 1923.

The fundamental purpose of this College is to train young men and young women roundedly - to give skill to their hands, information to their minds and real understanding to their hearts. We feel that only with this equipment may they participate efficiently and effectively in the reality of living with their fellowmen. Character-building has as strong a place in our program as the courses in Languages, Science and History. The prosecution of this purpose has placed Bethune-Cookman in the category of a trail-blazer in the educational field. Its academic offerings meet the standards of educational boards, but its entire educational program is so adjusted to the needs of the Negro boys and girls of the deep South that their cultural, spiritual and industrial development, as well as their academic development, is assured.

We must offer so much more than courses in Liberal Arts. The farm, the dormitories, the laundry, the small library, the dining hall and the kitchen - all are laboratories where our students learn by doing those practical arts that they may take back for the enlightenment of their communities. Our twenty-one hundred graduates reflect, in their service, the rightness of this purpose.

Second only to our graduates, our physical plant is perhaps the most convincing justification of our vision and faith. From a list of assets almost unbelievably small the College plant has grown to fourteen buildings, thirty-two beautiful acres of campus and one hundred eighty acres of woodland and farm tracts. The campus is clean and wholesome. Every department that serves the six hundred students who enroll annually in regular and summer sessions, is maintained to the highest standards of our ability. This entire plant is thrown open for the use of the Community as well as our own students, and as a Center of Culture, Progress and Interracial Good-Will, Bethune-Cookman gives these boys and girls a broader concept of life and living.

The constant struggle to provide buildings and equipment, to meet maintenance and instructional costs, has left little strength for permanent endowment solicitation. The annual budget of eighty-five thousand dollars is at the lowest possible figure, or there would be serious sacrifice of standards. Our objective is to maintain our program on the highest possible efficiency level, to expand when expansion is necessary to progress, but to face at all times the reality that our endowment is small and that our students are unable to pay the costs of their education. When we add the percentage of all funds from assured sources we find that forty-eight percent of our annual budget figure has been secured from interested friends or philanthropic agencies, during these years - every dollar an investment in a human life.

These are difficult days, but this is a great and challenging task, endowed with a sound program and a sound purpose. We need the strongest confidence of those who share our vision of service.

We are so grateful to Mr. Field for his interest.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 18, 1941

Mr. R. R. Evans
1962 Second Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Evans:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $7.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of seven dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and contributions from friends are greatly appreciated. Bethune-Cookman College could never continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends.

We hope your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities will continue and grow.

With best wishes,

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 26, 1941

The Cleveland Trust Company
Estates Department
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your check in the amount of $675.00, Remittance from Thomas H. White Estate for quarter ending 6/22/41. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
President.

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July 25, 1941

Miss Missouri J. Early
Lanham, Maryland

My dear Mrs. Early:

Bless you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. For all these years it has meant so much to have the active support and cooperation of friends like you.

Your recent scholarship donation in the amount of $30.00 is most graciously received. We are receiving letters from students daily begging for an opportunity to enter school in September. Please know, Miss Early, that your contribution of thirty dollars will make some worthy boy or girl happy. God bless you for this manifestation of your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and our Negro boys and girls. You will never regret this investment.

May God give you new strength and courage. We need strong friends like you and we want you to be assured of our deep gratitude for what you are doing for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

July 29, 1941.

Miss Lillian Givens,
656 East Jefferson Street,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Miss Givens,

Mr. Swan has told us of your interest, influence and help in the recent Drive among Detroit Friends for material assistance to Bethune-Cookman College.

We send this note to express our deep appreciation to you for the help you have given to us at this time. It means so much to us to have fiftybdollars at this time to help meet maintenance needs.

We sincerely hope that your interest in us will continue and grow.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

September 4, 1941

Dr. W. B. Sawyer
Hotel Elizabeth
Second Avenue
Miami, Florida

My dear Dr. Sawyer:

The sad news of the passing of your beloved mother has come to me. I am writing to express the sympathy of Bethune-Cookman College, of the National Council of Negro Women, and those with whom I am closely affiliated.

A fine citizen has left our ranks, a faithful mother, a good worker. May God grant to you and your sister and those of your immediate family the comfort you so richly deserve in an hour like this. May it be in your hearts to say, "Not my will, O Lord, but thine be done".

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB:J

September 16, 1941

Mrs. Stella W. Brummitt
1010 West 70th Terrace
Kansas City, Missouri

My dear Mrs. Brummitt:

May I thank you for your good letter of recent date and for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of ten dollars brings great encouragement to the College. Bethune-Cookman could never continue this much needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends like you.

I am glad you enjoyed the article in the Readers Digest and that it was helpful to you in your class.

I hope your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities will continue and grow.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

October 20, 1941

Mr. Julius Gabriel
574 California Street
San Francisco, California

My dear Mr. Gabriel:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your lovely gift of books sent to our Library. These books have been placed on the shelves of our Library where they will be of service to the people of the community as well as the students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman College. We have been handicapped for all of the years of our school's existence, by the need of reference titles, history, fiction and children books. It means so much to our students, teachers and the Negroes of Daytona Beach to have a larger selection of reading matter in the Library.

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Please be assured of our appreciation for your interest and help. We hope that your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities will continue and grow.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 16, 1941

Miss Roberta Burgess
5718 Dorchester Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Miss Burgess:

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We hope your interest in this Institution and its activities will continue and grow.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General Correspondence (Incoming)

MRS. JOHN HENRY HAMMOND
9 EAST 91 STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Donor

January 12, 1942

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

I am enclosing my check of $25 which I promised to send you for your college.

Very sincerely yours,

Emily V. Hammond

MRS. E. C. HENDERSON
233 EAST 48TH STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

[illegible]

Jan. 12. 1942

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Mrs. Henderson asks me to send you her check for $10. as her contribution to the splendid work you are doing.

Sincerely yours.
Bessie W. Cowtan
Secretary

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OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N.Y.

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF
CHRISTIAN SERVICE
MRS. INA DAVIS FULTON, TREAS.

January 30, 1942

Bethune - Cookman College

Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Friends:

We are enclosing our check No.NC-7063 in the amount of $2.30, which covers Cash Supplies received in our office during December for your fine Institution.

This money was sentin by the Wyoming Conference.

We are glad to forward this to you but are only sorry that it isn't for a larger amount.

Very sincerely,

Marjorie Y. Eicher

Assistant Treasurer
In Charge of Home Work

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Enclosure: Check No.NC-7063-$2.30

Thank you for the lovely, unusual Christmas Card!

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My contribution which should have been sent in Dec.

L. J. Field

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ORLANDO, FLORIDA

February 22.I942.

Dr.M.M.Bethume,
Bethume-Cookman College
Daytona Beach,Florida.

Dear Doctor:

I have enclosed check for the amount of $I3I.oo(One Hundred and thirty one dollars)

This is my final report for conference year I94I and I942.Year ending January 25.I942. This account has been closed on conference pro-ratio basis.

I am quite sure there will be adecided increase during present year. I am also sending to "The Board of Education,Nashville,Tenn. Race-Relations reciepts designated for Bethume -Cookman College.

With my personal wishes for a successful School year, I am,

Most cordially,

O A Burns Treasurer

For Dedication

Donor

Los Angeles, California
Feb. 26 1942

Dear Mrs Bethune:

So Sorry I will not be able to be with you on Monday at the dedication of the new Library Building.

March second shall mark the dawn of another new era for Bethune Cookman college. Its' library is now more thoroughly equipped to serve its faculty, students and the community

I am grateful our Book Drive has been a success & hope the new friends will continue to keep the needs of the College in mind.

As I am desirous of seeing this library among the finest in the country I shall continue with this work until this goal has been achieved.

Best wishes & kindest regards

Very truly yours
(Miss) Emma [illegible]

[illegible]

HOTEL LAKE ALFRED
JOS. H. CHAMBERLAIN, MGR.
LAKE ALFRED, FLORIDA

March 6, 1942.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Enclosed please find my check for $\$7^{50}$ for my birthday club membership of March the first.

Am very sorry to hear of your illness and am hoping for your speedy recovery.

Very sincerely yours
Margaret A. Fairbanks
[Mrs. Geo. A.]

Home address
Newport, N. H.

P. S. No need of a receipt as the cancelled ck. will answer the purpose.
M. A. F.

Box 3513
Orlando, Fla.
March 24, 1942

Donor

Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

I am in receipt of your letter asking for a small donation. Enclosed you will find postal Money Order for same.

I am wishing you much success in your undertaking.

Respectfully
Barbara Fleming Goodman

Send letter of apprecia[illegible]

Done

March 19-42

Dear Mrs Bethune:

In the past seven months three large packages of books have been sent the college by Mrs J. Yellen of 875 - 5th ave New York. To date no note of acknowledgement has been received. May I ask your secretary

to kindly send a
letter of thanks.
Mrs Geller is a very
valuable friend to
me & will continue
to send books to
the library from time
to time & because
of this we can afford
to overlook her kind
ness

Thanking you in
anticipation I beg to
remain Very Truly yours
Emma Goldman

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April 27.1942.

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Dr.M.M.Bethume,
Bethume-Cookman College
Daytona Beach,Florida.

Dear Doctor Bethume:

The enclosed check for the amount of $196,81/100 is the prorata of funds in hands of Annual Conference Benevolences,from budget of 1942 to date due Bethume Cookman College.

We trust that it will aid in some way of your urgent needs. As the Churches report we shall remit to you.

With every good wish for continued success I am,

Most cordially,

O.A.Burns, Treasurer

MRS. WILLIAM SHERMAN HAY - 645 SHERIDAN ROAD - WINNETKA, ILLINOIS

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May 21, 1942

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Sirs:

Mrs. Hay regrets she cannot conveniently respond favorably to your letter soliciting a contribution

Very truly yours,

Sec'y.
Mrs.William Sherman Hay.

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HOUSTON ENDOWMENT INC.
P.O. Box 1414
Houston, Texas

May 22, 1942

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Madam:

At the suggestion of the Honorable Jesse H. Jones, we are pleased to hand you herewith our check for the sum of $500.00, and will send a like amount on or before one year from this time.

Kindly acknowledge receipt and oblige.

Yours very truly,

F.J. Heyne,
President

FJH/dcm

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President

FJH/dcm

Lanham, Md.
June, 3, 1942.

Bethune-Cookman School,
Sirs:—

Am sending balance of my promised gift for the past term. am terminating my gift for present to help a local boy who is too weak in his legs to keep a job but has been promised a place on ~~on~~ staff back at his home — an insurance co. — if he can finish his Course at Howard. Thanks for permitting me to contribute in my way.

Respectfully M. J. Early.

Bethune-Cookman College

Daytona Beach, Florida

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, PRESIDENT
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HERBERT DAVIDSON, ENDOWMENT TREASURER

June 8, 1942

Mr. W. Elmer Harber
American National Bank
Shawnee, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Harber:

~~I~~ We deeply appreciate your check for $400 toward the current budget of Bethune-Cookman College. We are hoping and believing that enough will be received to keep up the reputation we have established over all of these years of closing without a deficit.

Receipt for this amount is enclosed.

Even more do ~~I~~ we appreciate the report from Mr. West of your interest in this whole matter for which we are working and in the securing of the Continuation Fund which will enable the College to render the same, and we hope an ever increasing, service in the way of giving the young people of our group a fair chance in this great American republic and so promoting more equitable, more satisfactory inter-racial relationships.

Both Mr. West and I will hope to see you in Washington as well as elsewhere.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June I0.I942.

Dr.M.M.Bethume,
Bethume -Cookman College
Daytona Beach,Florida.

Dear Doctor Bethume:

You will please find enclosed check for the amount of $II0.00.This is our second report for Conference year. Conference collection to date for School.

Trusting that you closed a very successfull years work,and that we will be able to continue reports by you, I am,

Most Cordially yours,

OABurns, Treasurer

Donor

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June 26, 1942

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
National Youth Administration
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I inclose the check I mentioned today and will appreciate your noting it as received from "A Friend". You may be sure I shall follow up the contacts that we talked about today.

It affords me a great happiness to be in position to make a slight contribution to so worthy a cause.

Sincerely,

/s/ Milton Starr
Consultant
Office of War Information
515 22nd Street, N. W.

Diane/

Independence Iowa
June 1942.

Dear Mrs Bethune- I am sending my bit to give Just, this June- So as I remember what a wonderful work you have done in your school- when I visited you some yrs ago- wish it were more but my reverses have been great this yr. with sickness & death in my family this month- but we must carry on as best we can

Yours Resp-
Mrs Kate Hamilton

Elaine/

THE CURTIS INSTITUTE OF MUSIC
RITTENHOUSE SQUARE
PHILADELPHIA

Office of the President

July 7, 1942

Dr Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Dr Bethune:-

Your letter addressed to Mr Edward Bok was forwarded to this, his widow's, office. Mr Bok died in Florida in January 1930.

Mrs Bok regrets that her own reduced income and currently heavy financial responsibilities make it impossible to add another contribution to her budget.

Sincerely yours

Elsie Stull

Secretary to Mrs Bok

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708 Diamond Street
San Francisco, Calif
August 16, 1942

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Mrs. Jack Yellen of 237 Linwood Avenue, Buffalo, New York has sent another large box of books to the library and hope same has been received in good condition.

Mrs. Yellen is a very valuable friend and I trust a prompt note of thanks has been sent.

I shall continue to remember the "book- drive" even though at present books for the U. S. O. must be given the preference.

With kindest personal regards, I beg to remain

Very truly yours,

Emma Goodman

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August 27, 1942

Bethune-Cookman School
Daytona Beach
Florida

Gentlemen:

As arranged last spring we are sending your school 2 boxes of school book covers. The contents of the boxes is 400 # 2 covers 400 #3 covers and 400 #4 or georgraphy covers.

These covers were shipped by freight with all charges prepaid to your school with the compliments of the Florida Coca Cola Bottling Company. We enclose some special letters of instructions for the most efficient use of the covers.

We hope the covers will be helpful in your school work and would much appreciate it if you would send a letter of acknowledgement to Mr. Frank E. Snell Jr. Manager Florida Coca Cola Bottling Company Jacksonville Florida.

With best wishes for a successful and pleasant school year.

Sincerely,

Robt. T. Furman

Robert T. Furman
Manufacturers Service

Sept. 14th 1942

977 LAKE SHORE ROAD · GROSSE POINTE SHORES · MICHIGAN

To Mrs. Mary Pittman
Prin. of the Girls Industrial
Home
[illegible]

Dear Mrs. [illegible]
These [illegible] for the
[illegible] upon [illegible] your meeting
which I thought your girls might
use [illegible]

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winter in Daytona with my parents & I recall very well how you were making heroic efforts to get started and I wish to congratulate you for your great victory for the betterment of your Race. You will win for you are on the right side.

Sorry I wish I were now in a position to do something for you but can not at this time.

With every good wish to you and your girls I am sincerely,

Mrs John H. Stalker

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Burns Drive
Detroit Mich

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219 SOUTH TERRY STREET,
ORLANDO, FLORIDA

December I.I942.

Dr.M.M.Bethume,
Daytona Beach,Fla.

Dear Doctor:

Enclosed is a check from the,"SOUTH FLORIDA CONFERENCE"of funds on hand,the prorato basis set by said Conference. Amount $I08.2I. (One Hundred eight dollars and 2I/Ioo$.)

With best wishes for your continued success I am,

Most Cordially,

O. A. Burns
------------------------------ Conf.Treasuer.

BIJOU AMUSEMENT COMPANY
423 FOURTH AVENUE, NORTH
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

December 8, 1942.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am at home visiting for a few days and this is the first opportunity I have had to reply to the letter you wrote on November 30th.

I was terribly distressed to hear of your illness and I am greatly relieved to hear that you are now recovered. I do hope that you will take care of your health as it is of great importance to a great many people.

I enclose check for $200.00 and in tendering it wish to repeat that the name of the donor be withheld. I am happy to be able to contribute to so worthy a cause.

I am looking forward to seeing you on your return to Washington. I expect to be there on Friday of this week.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Milton Starr

Milton Starr.

M/w

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December 30.1942.

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Bethume-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach,Florida.

Dear Doctor:

Please find enclosed a check for the amount of$196.00. This is the final report for the Conference year 1942.The check represent the prorata of funds in hands of conference treasuer. We fell gratified that we have made some increase of former givings. With the program outlined by our Bishop,at the last session of Conference,I predict a much brighter Conference year for the College.

The Conference will specilize as never before on Lincolon Day as a special contribution to said institution. You have my cooperation as the head of The Atlantic District.

With every good wish to you and faculty for a happy new year,

I am,

Most Cordially,

O.A.Burns

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December 31, 1942

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Attention: Mrs. Bertha Mitchell

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Enclosed you will find a check for $50.00 to cover the first payment which is now due on my pledge of $100.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

I sincerely hope that you had a joyful Christmas and I am hoping for you peace, health, happiness and great achievements throughout the New Year.

Very cordially yours,

RW Bullock

R. W. Bullock

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Enclosure

General Correspondence (Outgoing)

January 5, 1942.

Mrs. Percy Ballantine,
Lake Wales, Florida.

My dear, dear Mrs. Ballantine:

Your beautiful greeting card came to us as a real blessing. It has been a long time since I have heard from you and I have thought of you often during the months and years.

This year I have made an earnest search for my old friends - I just wanted to send a Christmas word to them - and I am so glad that my card reached you. These uncertain times cause us to lean rather heavily upon those friendships and relationships that we know to be secure.

I can never tell you what joy your generous gift of five hundred dollars brought to Bethune-Cookman College and to me. When it was placed before me, my eyes were suffused with tears of gratitude. It was so much needed, dear friend, and when it came it was a real justification of my continued faith. It meant more to us just then that ten times that amount could have meant at another time - so greatly was it needed.

May God bless you and multiply your blessings many times.

Since you are in the State I pray that you will stop by to see the school. It has grown to be a marvellous institution and has served so many thousands of young Negroes. Yet, there is so much to be done. I am giving my best - you know that - but I wish and long for even more strength, more industry, more vision.

May the New Year bring to you the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 6, 1942

Miss Roberta Burgess
5718 Dorchester Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Miss Burgess:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to the Endowment Fund of Bethune-Cookman College, through the efforts of Miss W. Gertrude Brown.

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We hope your interest in this Institution and its activities will continue and grow.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 14, 1942

Mr. John Hammond
9 East 91st Street
New York City

My dear Mr. Hammond;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $50.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of fifty dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. These are very strenuous days for us and contributions from friends,large or small,are greatly appreciated.

Bethune-Cookman College could never continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends like you. Our sane, sound, practical program of human uplift is dependent upon those who believe in it.

Please know, Mr. Hammond, that we are indeed grateful to you for your share in making it possible for us to carry forward this much-needed work.

We solicit your continued interest and cooperation. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 16, 1942

Mr. Leonard J. Field
P. O. Box 3365
Pen Station
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Field :

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of ten dollars means so much to the College in a day like this. These are very strenuous days for us and contributions from friends large or small are greatly appreciated.

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We want you to know, Mr. Fields, that we are indeed grateful to you for helping to make it possible for us to carry forward the work we are endeavoring to do here at Bethune-Cookman.

We solicit your continued interest and cooperation.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 17, 1942

Mrs. John Henry Hammond
9 East 91 Street
New York City

My dear Mrs. Hammond:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Mrs. Hammond, your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College. We are encouraged by your friendship, support and good-will.

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January 23, 1942

Mrs. E. C. Henderson
233 East 48th Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Henderson:

May I send this note to say "God bless you," for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its work, and for your contribution of $10.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount. We are grateful for this demonstration of your faith in our program for Negro boys and girls.

Our work moves forward in a most satisfactory manner. Students are keenly alive to the seriousness of our National situation and they are applying themselves to their tasks with renewed concentration. Christian institutions of the type of Bethune-Cookman have a real service to render during these days of unrest. The confidence and aid of our friends enable us to carry on.

We solicit your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

February 5, 1942

Miss Marjorie Y. Eicher
Board of Missions and Church Extension of
The Methodist Church
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Eicher:

Thank you for your letter of January 30 with check enclosed in the amount of $2.30, Cash Supplies for Bethune-Cookman College from the Wyoming Conference. Official receipt for this amount is enclosed. We are grateful for this contribution and pray that you and other members of this strong organization will be mindful of us during these strenuous days.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

MMB-t

Mary McLeod Bethune.

February 10,1942.

Rev. O. A. Burns, Treasurer,
South Florida Annual Conference,
819 Eighth Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Rev. Burns:

May we express our deep appreciation for your gracious letter of February 4th, and for the donation of two hundred twelve dollars, pro-rata share from the annual conference budget of the South Florida Conference, for the years 1941 and 1942. We enclose official receipt for this amount. It came at a time when we were greatly in need of funds for maintenance, and we are deeply grateful for your prompt response to our wire.

We hope that the work done on Race-Relations Day was successful in all of the churches of your Conference. Please know that we shall be so grateful for your influence, your help and your prayers for our continued success.

We will have the dedication of the Harrison Rhodes Memorial Library on March first, 1942, and we would be so glad if you and our West Palm Beach friends could be with us for this occasion.

Again, may we express our gratitude for this contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

February 17, 1942

My dear Mr. Hammond:

You advised me to write you the first of the year because you felt that you would be in position to make a contribution to our work.

We are in rather desperate financial straits just now and would be deeply grateful for any financial consideration you might give to us.

During these days it is very difficult to secure funds for an enterprise even as worthy as ours, for there is so much suffering elsewhere. Yet, we must go on. We must protect the sacrifice and work of so many years. Negro boys and girls need all of the training and preparation they can possibly secure. We are coordinating our program with National defense and industry, opening our doors to younger boys who are not yet called by the draft, planning for classes six days a week, sponsoring defense trades' instruction. We know that we must make every possible use of our facilities to help our students meet the present National emergency. Our expense must go on, of course. Students do their best, but their payments fall far short of the total cost of maintaining the Institution.

I know that you are receiving so many calls, and I hope that you will not feel that ours in inopportune. In days like this, I just must turn to interested friends who may be in position to give us some aid.

We sincerely hope that nothing may prevent your being with us on March first and second.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mr. John Hammond
Columbia Recording Corporation
799 Seventh Avenue at 52nd Street
New York, N. Y.

February 25, 1942

Rev. O.A. Burns,
819 Eighth Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Rev. Burns,

I do want to express our deep appreciation for this additional check of one hundred thirty-one ($131.) dollars from the South Florida Annual Conference. I can never tell you just what this gift means to us. We have been so desperately in need of maintenance funds during this year.

May God bless all of you for your confidence in the work we are trying to do here. The important service of training Negro boys and girls for life and citizenship is greatly needed at this time. The struggle is difficult, but we cannot stop now - we cannot jeopardize the accomplishments of all of these years. You can see, therefore, just what it means to have friends to help in critical times like these. Students are not able to assume the cost of their education, although they do their best.

Please continue to use your influence in our behalf wherever and whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

MMB*J
-enclosure receipt $131-

February 25, 1942.

Dr. E. A. Graham
608½ Second Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Graham:

Bless you for your response to our call to the trustees for some financial aid at this time. Your contribution of five dollars is most gratefully received, and we enclose official receipt for this amount.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 2, 1942

Mrs. S. W. Brummitt
721 Emerson Street
Evanston, Illinois

My dear Mrs. Brummitt:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Your contribution of ten dollars is so helpful and so encouraging to us. These are very strenuous days us and contributions from friends large or small are greatly appreciated. Bethune-Cookman College could never continue this much-needed service without the confidence, influence and help of interested friends like you.

We are sorry you could not be here for the dedication of our new Harrison Rhodes Memorial Library. It was a grand occasion. I am pleased with the progress that we are making here at Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 3, 1942

Mr. D. A. Boyd
924 Reid Street
Palatka, Florida

My dear Mr. Boyd:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We are encouraged by your friendship, support and goodwill.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 13, 1942

Miss Edith Goode
2141 Wyoming Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Goode:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your thought of us and for your contribution of $25.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We are sorry you could not be here for the dedicatorial services. The ceremonies were impressive and the auditorium was filled to capacity.

Please know, Miss Goode, that we are grateful for your contribution of $25.00. It is difficult now to secure funds for an enterprise even as worthy as ours, in the face of so much suffering elsewhere. And yet, we must go on. We must not lose what we have fought so hard to build. Negro boys and girls need everything they can possibly secure in training and preparation for service in a day like this.

We solicit your continued interest and cooperation - Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 13, 1942

Dr. Edwin Clarke
Rollins College
Winter Park, Florida

My dear Dr. Clarke:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $10.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We can never tell you how helpful and how encouraging your contribution has been to us. It is difficult to secure funds for an enterprise even as worthy as our, in the face of so much suffering elsewhere. And yet, we must go on. We must not lose what we have fought so hard to build. Negro boys and girls need everything they can possibly secure in training and preparation for service. We are coordinating our program with National defense and industry, opening our doors to younger boys who are not yet called by the draft. Our expense must go on, of course, and while students do their best, their payments fall far short of the total cost of maintaining the Institution. We just must turn to friends of this Cause, in days like this.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 16, 1942

Mrs. George A. Fairbanks
New Port, New Hampshire

Dear Mrs. Fairbanks:

May we send this note to express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman Collage and for your contribution of $7.50 to the Birthday Club. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Our work moves forward in a most satisfactory manner. Students are keenly alive to the seriousness of our National situation and they are applying themselves to their tasks with renewed concentration. Christian institutions of the type of Bethune-Cookman have a real service to render during these days of unrest. The confidence and aid of our friends enables us to carry on.

We solicit your continued interest in our Birthday Club, and the activities of the College. Please continue thoughtful of us and use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 24, 1942

Mr. Albert H. Ely, Jr.
Whitehall Hotel
Palm Beach, Florida

My dear, dear Mr. Ely:

With deep gratitude we acknowledge receipt of your contribution of $100.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please know, Mr. Ely, that we are encouraged by your friendship, support and good-will. We could not continue this much-needed service without the help of friends like you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2, 1942.

Mrs. Forbes,
1804 Southeast 24th Avenue,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mrs. Forbes:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for the interest you are manifesting in Bethune-Cookman College. Mrs. Friend,(the sister of Mrs. Helen Whitmore Gross,)who has been a member of our Advisory Board for so many years, had reported the receipt and sale of a package sent by you to the Parcel Post Table of the recent Spring Fete. Please be assured of our appreciation for this help.

We are requesting your cooperation with Mrs. Gross in the service she is rendered our Institution in that section. We are greatly in need of friends and influence in order that we may continue this program of education. We are sending you, enclosed, some literature descriptive of our work and we hope that your interest in us will grow as you know us better. Your friendship and influence will mean so much to us.

The Advisory Board Spring Fete was a great success and the ladies were much encouraged as a result of this effort. This success was made possible because of the help of friends like you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2, 1942.

Mrs. Helen Whitmore Gross,

Portland, Oregon.

My dear Mrs. Gross:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your warm interest in Bethune-Cookman College and the valuable influence you are using in our behalf in Portland. I cannot tell you how much it means to us to have friends like you and particularly in that section. We are greatly in need of the good-will and help of those who have confidence in our program.

Mrs. Friend, your sister, who has given us so many years of unselfish service, has given us the list of your friends in Portland, who, through your stimulus, sent gifts to the Parcel Post Table of the Spring Fete. We have written to these friends, thanking them for their aid, and sending them descriptive literature of our school. We hope that their interest in us will grow as they learn more about our work.

The Spring Fete was a great success and members of our Advisory Board were much encouraged by the support they received in this effort. The success of the parcel post table was marvellous!

Please be assured of our deep gratitude for all you are doing for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 9, 1942

Mrs. Mary Eglee
The Seville Hotel
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Eglee:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount. Please know, Mrs. Eglee, that we are grateful for this manifestation of your interest in our work.

Please continue thoughtful of and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 13, 1942

Rev. Leon M. Gambrell, Treasurer
309 Earl Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Gambrell:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the Ministers of the Ministerial Association for your splendid cooperation in connection with our Community Drive and for your recent contribution of $31.00, through Rev. Delpino. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Our Spring Drive was a great success and this was made possible through the cooperation and support of interested friends like you.

Please keep us in mind and use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 15, 1942.

Rev. O. A. Burns, Treasurer,
South Florida Annual Conference,
819 Eighth Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Rev. Burns:

It has been the custom of our Methodist churches to have Easter rallies for the benefit of the College and much-needed financial help has come to the school as a result of these efforts.

We are wondering if this custom is being continued as a part of the Church program, and if any financial reports have been sent to you. We understand, of course, that Race Relations Day gifts are sent direct to the Board of Education, but the Easter Rally donations are usually reported directly to the Conferences.

The stress of the times and the uncertainty of financial conditions are being felt in our schools, as you know. We are doing everything we possibly can here at Bethune-Cookman College, to try to pull through this difficult year. We shall appreciate any possible help that may be available to the College from the South Florida Conference.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 29, 1942

Rev. O. A. Burns, Treasurer
World Service Commission and Finance of
The Methodist Church
South Florida Annual Conference
819 - Eighth Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Burns:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of the South Florida Conference for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your check in the amount of $196.81, representing the prorata of funds in hand for Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount. This amount came at a time when it was most needed. We need the help of our friends and the support of churches and organizations now more than ever before in the history of this Institution.

May God bless each of you for your cooperation and material support and for your help in making it possible for us to continue the work we are attempting to do here for Negro boys and girls.

Please continue thoughtful of and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 19, 1942

Mrs. Rebecca J. Gray
Barrett School
14th & Q Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Gray:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through Mrs. Cecelia C. Smith. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We are grateful for this manifestation of your interest in our work and hope it will continue and grow as you know us better.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 19, 1942

Mrs. Rosa N. Hampton
Barrett School
14th & Q Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Hampton:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through Mrs. Cecelia C. Smith. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We are grateful for this manifestation of your interest in our work and hope it will continue and grow as you know us better.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 27, 1942

Mr. F.J. Heyne, President
Houston Endowment, Inc.,
P.O. Box 1414,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mr. Heyne,

On behalf of the Trustee and Advisory Boards, our faculty and students, may I acknowledge with deep gratitude, the receipt of your letter and check for $500, representing a donation from the Honorable Jesse J. Jones, to be used toward effacing the current maintenance deficit of our Institution.

We cannot begin to express to you and Mr. Jones just how much encouragement and help this gift brings to us at this time. We have been so desperately in need of maintenance funds during this year, and this generous donation seems Heaven-sent.

I am writing to Mr. Jones today expressing our sincere appreciation for his confidence in the program of human uplift which we are trying to foster here.

Enclose you will find our official receipt for the contribution.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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With best wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

June 12, 1942

Mr. W. Elmer Harber
American National Bank
Shawnee, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Harber:

We deeply appreciate your check for $400 toward the current budget of Bethune-Cookman College. Receipt for this amount is enclosed. We are hoping and believing that enough will be received to keep up the reputation we have established over all of these years of closing without a deficit.

Even more do we appreciate the report from Mr. West of your interest in this whole matter for which we are working and in the securing of the Continuation Fund which will enable the College to render the same, and we hope an over increasing, service in the way of giving the young people of our group a fair chance in this great American republic and so promoting more equitable, more satisfactory inter-racial relationships.

Both Mr. West and I will hope to see you in Washington as well as elsewhere.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 13, 1942

Mrs. Missouri J. Early
Lanham, Maryland

My dear Mrs. Early:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your Scholarship Donation of $30.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount. We are grateful for this demonstration of your continued faith in our program for Negro boys and girls.

Our work moves forward in a most satisfactory manner. Students are keenly alive to the seriousness of our National situation and they are applying themselves to their tasks with renewed concentration. Christian institutions of the type of Bethune-Cookman have a real service to render during these days of of unrest. The confidence and aid of friends like you enable us to carry on.

We solicit your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities. It is kind of you to help the boy who is too weak in his legs to keep a job. May God bless, inspire and keep you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 15, 1942

Rev. O. A. Burns, Treasurer
South Florida Annual Conference
819 - Eighth Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Burns:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of the South Florida Annual Conference for your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $110.00, Conference collection. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

This College has grown as the result of the confidence and help of friends like you and your co-workers, who caught the vision with me thirty-eight years ago, and helped make my dream a reality. Please know how much we appreciate your friendship and your valuable help at this time.

May God bless, inspire and keep each of you and may you continue thoughtful of us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 22, 1942

Mrs. Kate Hamilton
Independence, Iowa

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $1.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We hope your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities will continue and grow as you know us better.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune - Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Mary McLeod Bethune, *President*
Bertha L. Mitchell, *Secretary-Treasurer*
Cynthia M. Ranslow, *Endowment-Treasurer*

Deceased some time

June 30, 1942

Mrs. Bryan Lathrop
Belone Place
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mrs. Lathrop:

These are times when we hesitate to make an approach for anything except that which may definitely be considered a war issue, but we feel that the education of youth and its preparation to take up where thousands must leave off in post-war times must be considered important and vital.

Bethune-Cookman College has been rendering yeoman service for thirty-seven years in helping to prepare youth to faithfully serve its country and mankind. Our work, as you know, has been largely supported by the philanthropic public, hence we feel free in calling upon you at this time to give to us the assistance that we definitely need.

We are desperately trying to meet our budget for the year. Unless we can get some immediate help within the next two weeks, we will find ourselves seriously handicapped. I am, therefore, asking you to make as generous a contribution as possible to our cause, remembering that any investment made in these young people will bring fruitful returns.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Bethune - Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, *President*
BERTHA L. MITCHELL, *Secretary-Treasurer*
CYNTHIA M. RANSLOW, *Endowment-Treasurer*

June 30, 1942

Miss Emily S. Wood Deceased. 1940.
627 St. Marks Ave.
Brooklyn, New York

My dear Miss Wood:

These are times when we hesitate to make an approach for anything except that which may definitely be considered a war issue, but we feel that the education of youth and its preparation to take up where thousands must leave off in post-war times must be considered important and vital.

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Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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July 8, 1942

Mr. Milton Starr
Consultant
Office of War Information
515 22nd Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

(Personal)

My dear Mr. Starr:

It was gracious, generous and kind of you to to send us $500.00. It has come at a time when we greatly need the encouraging help of our friends.

I feel that we are justifiably proud of the record that we have here. This College has grown as the result of the confidence and help of friends like you, who caught the vision with me thirty-eight years ago, and helped to make my dream a reality. Please know, Mr. Starr, how much we appreciate your friendship and your valuable help at this time.

It is difficult to secure funds for an enterprise even as worthy as ours during these days of unrest. Yet, [illegible] must continue this much-needed service. We must not lose what we have fought so hard to build. Negro boys and girls need everything they can possibly secure in training and preparation for service. We are coordinating our program with National Defense and Industry, opening our doors to younger boys who are not yet called by the draft, running classes six days a week, sponsoring defense trades' instruction twenty-four hours a day - everything possible to help our students meet the present emergency facing the country. Our expense must go on, of course, and while students do their best, their payments fall far short of the total cost of maintaining the Institution. We are forced to turn to friends in days like this.

May God bless you, and may you continue thoughtful of us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

July 15, 1942

Mrs. Fannie E. Forbes
12 High Street
Westborough, Massachusetts

My dear Mrs. Forbes:

May we thank you for your prompt and favorable reply to our appeal for help. It was gracious, generous and kind of you to send us a contribution. We want you to know that it has come at a time when we greatly need the encouraging help of our friends.

It is so difficult to secure funds for an enterprise even as worthy as ours in the face of so much suffering elsewhere. And yet, we must continue this much-needed service. We must not lose what we have fought so hard to build.

I feel that we are justifiably proud of the record that we have here. This College has grown as the result of the confidence and help of friends like you, who caught the vision with me thirty-eight years ago, and helped to make my dream a reality. Please know, Mrs. Forbes, how much we appreciate your friendship and your help at a time like this. Negro boys and girls need everything they can possibly secure in training and preparation for defense in this war-torn world. Our expenses must go on, of course, and while students do their best, their payments fall far short of the total cost of maintaining the Institution. We just must turn to friends of this Cause, in days like this.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 26, 1942

Mr. M. T. L. Garnett
Buck Hill Falls, Penna.

My dear Mr. Garnett:

May we thank you for your prompt and favorable reply to our appeal for help. It was gracious, generous and kind of you to send us a contribution. We want you to know that it has come at a time when we greatly need the encouraging help of our friends.

It is so difficult to secure funds for an enterprise even as worthy as ours in the face of so much suffering elsewhere. And yet, we must continue this much-needed service. We must not lose what we have fought so hard to build.

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 11, 1942

Mr. Frank E. Snell, Jr.
Manager Florida Coca Cola Bottling Co.
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Snell:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for sending to us two boxes of school book covers, through Mr. Robert T. Furman, Manufacturers Service - Brooklyn, N. Y. These covers with special letters of instructions have been turned over to the Principal of our Keyser Laboratory School where they will be of great help to the students and teachers.

It was gracious, generous and kind of you to think of us in this material way. We want you to [illegible]r. Snell, that we are grateful for this contribution.

We hope your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities will continue and grow as you know us better.

With best wishes for the success of your company, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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No. 4121

Name Eleanor Garrison

Address West Dennis

Mass.

Dues $1.00 Enclosed

Return this stub with remittance,

To:

Spetember 25, 1942

Mrs. Eleanor Garrison
West Dennis, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Garrison:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $1.00 - membership fee in our Good-Will League. We enclose official receipt for this amount. We are so happy to list you as a member of our Good-Will League.

Our work moves forward in a most satisfactory manner. Students are keenly alive to the seriousness of our National situation and they are applying themselves to their tasks with renewed concentration. Christian institutions of the type of Bethune-Cookman have a real service to render during these days of unrest. The confidence and aid of friends like you enable us to carry on.

We hope your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities will continue and grow as you know us better.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 7, 1942

Rev. O. A. Burns,
Conference Treasurer
819 - Eighth Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Burns;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for the check for $108.21 - representing the prorata of funds in hand fro Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Never before has there been greater need for the work of the smaller Institutions, the Christian Institution, the Institution dedicated to the rounded training of youths in Head, Heart and Hand.

Just know that you are investing directly in the lives and service of young people who need training and who pass the results of their opportunities on to others far less privileged.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,

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Donor

December 7, 1942

Mr. Leonard J. Field
318 Ora Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Field:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your ~~interest~~ Contribution of $10.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We cannot tell you what help and encouragement your gift of ten dollars brings to us. It means so much to have our friends stand by us just now, for the permanent endowment we have been needing for so many years has not become a certainty.

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With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 12, 1942

Mr. James Baldwin
740 West Lime Street
Lakeland, Florida

My dear Mr. Baldwin:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for the large assortment of string beans, tomatoes, cream grapefruit, etc. that you so kindly sent to us by Mr. Maxwell W. Saxon.

Please know, Mr. Baldwin, that a contribution of this type means more to us than money - during these strenuous days when maintenance needs are so great. We are finding it very difficult to secure food for the large group of young people we have on the campus.

This has been a year of great anxiety for us. The problem of securing funds to keep the doors of this Institution open has been more grave than it has been for many years.

We hope you will continue thoughtful of us in this particular and send us any excess beans, potatoes, tomatoes etc. that may be on hand in your neighborhood. If you cannot send them by Mr. Saxon send them by express. We will take care of the freight charge on this end.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

December 12, 1942

Mr. Milton Starr
Bijou Amusement Company
423 Fourth Avenue, North
Nashville, Tennessee

My dear Mr. Starr:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $200.00. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

This has been a year of great anxiety for all of us. The problem of securing funds to keep the doors of this Institution open has been more grave than it has been for many years. And yet, we must not lose what we have fought so hard to build.

Never before has there been greater need for the work of the smaller Institutions, the Christian Institution, the Institution dedicated to the rounded training of youths in Head, Heart and Hand.

Just know that you are investing directly in the lives and service of young people who need training and who pass the results of their opportunities on to others far less privileged.

I am feeling much better. My doctors are demanding that I take a period of complete rest which they hope will restore me to my old self again.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General Correspondence

January 8, 1943

Mrs. L. S. Hill
1217 5th Street
Lorain, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Hill;

We acknowledge with thanks your contribution of $5.00 to our financial efforts of Bethune-Cookman College. Official receipt for this amount is enclosed. Contributions like yours enable us to carry on the work that has been established here.

We cannot tell you what help and encouragement your gift of five dollars brings to us. It means so much to have friends like you stand by us just now, for the permanent endowment we have been needing for so many years has not become a certainty.

Just know that you are investing directly in the lives and service of young people who need training and who pass the results of their opportunities on to others far less privileged.

With best wishes for the choicest blessings of the New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

January 4, 1943.

Rev. O. A. Burns, Treasurer,
South Florida Annual Conference,
810 Eighth Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Rev. Burns:

May we express our deep gratitude to you and to the Churches of the South Florida Annual Conference, for your kind letter of December 30, and for the check for $196.00, representing the pro-rata of funds in hand for the final report of the Conference year, for Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose our official receipt for this amount. We cannot express to you how much we appreciate this gift. It came at a time when we were desperately in need of help.

We solicit from you and from each member of the South Florida Conference your prayerful cooperation with Mr. Colston, as he assumes the responsibility for the adtive administration of this work. We believe that he will carry forward a fine program of Christian education, but the responsibility rests not only on him but on our entire Church constituency.

The College is doing everything possible to increase the production of all departments and work centers, in order to meet the demands of current operation. Expenses are being cut in every possible place. Our students are not able, as you know, to meet the increasing costs of their training but they are willing to supplement their cash payments with voluntary labor and through this medium we hope to increase the production of the farm and laundry.

We solicit your continued help. Both Conferences have been generous with us during 1942, and we know they will recognize our need for even greater help this year.

With very best wishes for the blessings of health and success during this New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
President-Emeritus.

MMB"m

January 7, 1943

Mr. R.W. Bullock,
239 Auburn Avenue, N E
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Bullock,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your generous contribution of fifty dollars, which indicates the first payment on your pledge of one hundred dollars. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

This has been a strenuous year for all of us. The problem of securing funds has been more grave than it has been for many years. Yet, our work moves forward in a most satisfactory manner. Students are keenly alive to the seriousness of our National situation and they are applying themselves to their tasks with renewed concentration. Christian institutions of the type of Bethune-Cookman have a real service to render during these days of unrest. The confidence and aid of friends like you enable us to carry on.

May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

MMB-J
-enclosure-

MABETH HURD PAIGE
30TH DIST.
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Done

State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
LAWRENCE M. HALL, Speaker

COMMITTEES:
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PUBLIC DOMAIN, VICE CHAIRMAN
CIVIL ADMINISTRATION
EDUCATION
RULES

February 19, 1943

Miss W. Gertrude Brown
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Miss Brown:

I received your letter of February 12th. I know, of course, that everybody is in a nervous mental condition about finances because of the various taxes and the general condition of investments, so I can't help you as I should like to. I think that maybe, if I send a little in this envelope, it will be of some assistance and later on, perhaps, I can help a bit more. I will talk to my sister-in-law, Emma, about doing a little something, too. She is now an invalid but is very much interested in all the things that she used to be interested in.

I am awfully sorry that we couldn't have seen you when you were here. You would have been the most welcome visitor possible here at the Capitol, and I can't understand why you couldn't find me.

Affectionately, with best wishes, yours,

Mabeth H. Paige

MHP:BH

Feb 23,
Enclosed ten dollars from Emma A Paige 124 Groveland Ave and twenty five from me which is probably all I can give this year - I thought I should send it now on account of your need - Love
M. H. P.

Bethune-Cookman College

Daytona Beach, Florida

JAMES A. COLSTON, PRESIDENT
ATTY. THOMAS T. COBB, CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE TRUSTEE BOARD
BERTHA L. MITCHELL, SECRETARY-TREASURER

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE
President-Emeritus

Done

February 20, 1943

Mrs. Willard Pope
1705 Seminole Street
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Mrs. Pope:

I want to apologize to you for writing again so soon but I wanted to tell you about a special effort which we are planning for next month. It is a financial drive for funds in an effort to keep our doors open for the many children who need our services. This financial drive will close March 20 and I am wondering if you would be kind enough to assist us.

I hope that you have had an opportunity to look over the material which I sent you some time ago which will give you a very good idea of the type of work Bethune-Cookman College is doing. I wish it were possible for you to visit us and get first hand information and see for yourself what a worthy institution this is.

Hoping to hear from you very soon, I am

Gratefully yours,

W Gertrude Brown

W. Gertrude Brown

WGB/rsm

My dear Mrs. Brown.
I have been very long in replying to your first letter of November last. It has been on my desk and I was about to answer, when your second letter came. I would like to give you more than this very small amount, but I cannot. I know you do a splendid work and I send you my best wishes. Any thing to help your race is very dear to me. Sincerely yours, Fanny S. Pope.

MRS. E. C. HENDERSON
233 EAST 48TH STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Donor

Feb. 23. 1943

Mrs. Henderson encloses $5.- as a contribution to Bethune-Cookman College, regretting that it must be reduced.

March 1, 1943

Mrs. E.C. Henderson,
233 East 48th Street,
New York, New York.

My dear Mrs. Henderson,

Please let me express to you again my heartfelt gratitude for your interest, your friendship and your confidence in this Cause. The road is often very rough for me now, as our Institution is required to meet mounting educational and industrial standards and as the years take from me strength and vitality. It is heartening to think of you, dear friend, as continuing to stand by us, helping to lift the load on every possible occasion.

God has wonderfully blessed us in your friendship. Your recent contribution of five dollars, receipt for which is enclosed, is just another evidence of this friendship, another justification of our Faith.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 1, 1943

Mrs. Willard Pope,
1705 Seminole Street,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Mrs. Pope,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College and for your generous contribution of twenty-five ($25.00), through Miss W. Gertrude Brown. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We cannot tell you just what help and encouragement your gift brings to us. It means so much to have our friends stand by us during these strenuous days. Never before has there been greater need for the work of the smaller Institutions, the Christian Institution, the Institution dedicated to the rounded training of youths in Heart, Hand and Head. Just know that you are investing directly in the lives and service of young people who need training and who pass the results of their opportunities on to others far less privileged.

We hope that your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its activities will continue and grow as you know us better.

With bests wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure
Receipt $25.00

Donor

March 10, 1943

Mrs. Mabeth Hurd Paige,
House of Representatives,
State of Minnesota,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Paige,

May we take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to you and Miss Paige for your contributions of twenty-five and ten dollars respectively, to Bethune-Cookman College, through Miss W. Gertrude Brown. We enclose official receipts for these amounts.

Never before has there been greater need for the work of the smaller Institution, the Christian Institution, the Institution dedicated to the rounded training of youths in Head, Hand and Heart. We feel that the friends of Bethune-Cookman College who share in the responsibility of human development, will receive this challenge with us.

This has been a strenuous year for all of us. The problem of securing funds has been more grave than it has been for years. Yet, our work moves forward in a most satisfactory manner. Students are keenly alive to the seriousness of our National situation and they are applying themselves to their tasks with renewed concentration. The confidence and aid of friends like you enable us to carry on.

May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of and prayerful for us. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever possible.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College Continuation Fund

For the furtherance of the Christian Education of youth through Bethune-Cookman College, and in consideration of the interest and subscriptions of others, I agree to contribute the sum of $........ to Bethune-Cookman College Continuation Fund.

Paid 3/17

Payable as follows: Cash $1000.00

on Paid 3/17 1943 $1,000.00

If willing to pay this amount annually check here. ☐

..........1943. Signed M L Benedum

Street Address Pittsburgh

City and State Pa.

Honorable M. L. Benedum,
Benedum-Trees Building,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Benedum:

May we express our deep gratitude for your continued interest in the work of Bethune-Cookman College. It is so heartening to have a friend like you, whose confidence in our program and whose help have been given so generously during the years.

It means so much to us to receive your contribution of one thousand dollars at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

I was so happy to know that you could come to the meeting and remained as long as you could without missing your plane. The meeting was very successful. Mrs. McLean contributed $1,000; Mrs. Bancroft Davis $500; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Jones pledged $1,000; Mrs. Francis Biddle pledged $250, Mrs. A. F. Wilson $100, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip M. Brown $50. We are greatly encouraged over this help.

Thank you for sending Senator Guffey's donation of two hundred fifty dollars. We are sending him a letter of appreciation and receipt.

Bless you, dear friend, for your share in the continuation of this program for the training of Negro youths.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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M. L. BENEDUM
PITTSBURGH, PA.

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March 15, 1943

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am enclosing, herewith, check for $1,250.00 covering the pledges to Bethune-Cookman College made by me and our mutual friend Senator Guffey.

I was indeed sorry that I had to leave the meeting Friday so abruptly but it was necessary for me to catch the plane in order to get home. I am very much interested to know how you finally came out at the meeting and would be glad if you would drop me a line and let me know about this.

Sincerely,

M L Benedum

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT PAID BY M. L. BENEDUM CHECK NO. 28855

DATE	EXPLANATION	AMOUNT
1943 Mar. 15	To contribution	$1,250.00

DETACH CHECK BEFORE PRESENTING

[illegible]

Donor

March 19, 1943.

Mrs. Francis Biddle,
1669 Thirty-first Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Biddle:

May we thank you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, for your presence at the White House meeting and for your pledge of $250.00 to our work. It is so heartening to me to have friends like you.

I felt that our meeting was very significant and I was so much encouraged over the warm interest and consideration of those who were present.

The College is doing its best for Negro youth and we hope to do even more, to merit the generous confidence of those who share the responsibility with us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College Continuation Fund

For the furtherance of the Christian Education of youth through Bethune-Cookman College, and in consideration of the interest and subscriptions of others, I agree to contribute the sum of $ 10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College Continuation Fund.

Payable as follows: Cash $ 10.00

on .... 1943 $ ....

If willing to pay this amount annually check here. ☐

.... 1943. Signed David E. Finlay

Street Address 3318 - O Street

City and State Washington D.C

Donor

March 19, 1943.

Commissioner David E. Finley,
3318 O Street,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Commissioner Finley:

May we express our deep gratitude for your interest in the program of Bethune-Cookman College.

It was so gracious of you to express your confidence in our work through your contribution of ten dollars. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We were greatly encouraged over the spirit of the meeting at the White House. We shall put forth every possible effort to have Bethune-Cookman's program to meet the changing trends of training that Negro boys and girls must have for good citizenship. Only such a program will justify the investments of our friends.

May we thank you, dear friend, for your share in the continuation of this program.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 29, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Marshall Brown
Wardman Park Annex
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Brown;

May we express our deep gratitude for your interest in the program of Bethune-Cookman College.

It was both generous and gracious of you to express your confidence through your recent contributions of twenty-five dollars each. You know just what this means to the College at this time of uncertainty and stress. We enclose official receipt for your donations.

We were greatly encouraged over the spirit of the White House meeting. We shall put forth every possible effort to have Bethune-Cookman's program to meet the ever-changing trends of training that Negro boys and girls must have in order to become good citizens. Only a program that insures good citizenship will justify the investments of our friends.

May we thank you, dear friends, for your share in the continuation of this work.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 29, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Carter
331 East 71st Street
New York City

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 29, 1943

Mr. Arthur J. Goldsmith
100 East 50th Street
New York City

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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enc: receipt

April 15, 1943

Donor

Attorney Earl B. Dickerson,
c/o Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Attorney Cashin,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your influence, participation and generous help in the recent Chicago meeting, held in the interests of Bethune-Cookman College.

I am unable to express to you my feelings of appreciation and my response to the challenge of such whole-hearted friendship as was demonstrated in Chicago. Each one of you gave so generously of your time, effort and means to make this event such an outstanding success. You gave to me your vote of real confidence in the work for which I have given most of my life.

This one effort brought to the College - for its continuance as an agency for training and developing Negro boys and girls - three thousand dollars in cash, greater stimulation of interest in old friends and many, many new friends. We pray that our program may continue to meet the needs of Negro boys and girls in the deep South, and that it may justify your continued interest and confidence.

Other public meetings are being planned and held in other sections of the country. Gracious, generous Mrs. Roosevelt is continuing to help us by her presence and by her forceful presentation of the Cause of Negro education.

God bless you, dear friend, for your valuable good-will and for your material help so gratefully received.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
President - Emeritus

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE
President-Emeritus

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(Returned) – Sent them [illegible] EBD

April 15, 1943

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Mary McLeod Bethune,
President - Emeritus

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1541 Lombardy Road,
Pasadena, Calif.

Donor

May 6, 1943

Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Enclosed is Mrs. Thomas Fleming's annual gift, a check for $25.00 for Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,
M. Knox for
Mrs. Thomas Fleming, Jr.

Thank her over Mrs. B's signature

May 30, 1943

Mrs. Thomas Fleming, Jr.
1541 Lombardy Road
Pasadena, California

Dear Mrs. Fleming:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $25.00 in support of our work. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

These are very strenuous days for us and contributions from friends large or small are greatly appreciated. We are grateful for friends like you who understand the importance of the service we are rendering and are willing to help us continue to serve the Negro boys and girls in the South.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

MMB-J

Nov 5/43

Bethune College
City

Dear Sir

On Oct 31st I called at your school and offered my books of the Hotel Training course to the teacher of that

department. She
was going to
send some one
for them — up
to date no one
has come. I
will hold them
this week. if you
do not send
for them by

Nov 14 - I k
you do no
want them
Yours Tru
Miss A Emer
15 South Grand

Bethune-Cookman College Continuation Fund

For the furtherance of the Christian Education of youth through Bethune-Cookman College, and in consideration of the interest and subscriptions of others, I agree to contribute the sum of $ 25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College Continuation Fund.

Payable as follows: Cash $ 25.--

on .... 1943 $........

If willing to pay this amount annually check here. ☐

..........1943. Signed Mr. & Mrs. E. C. Carter

Street Address 331 East 71

City and State New York

ELEANOR ROOSEVELT
Honorary Chairman

WILL W. ALEXANDER
Treasurer

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE
President

BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE CONTINUATION FUND
Office: 1812 Ninth Street N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

FRANK H. WEST
Director

November 29, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Carter
331 East 71st Street
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Friends:

These are war times and our minds and hearts are turned to the winning of the war and the securing of the peace. However, here at home, we must do all we can to keep the home-fires burning and it is in this vein that I am now writing to you.

We must continue to educate the youths of our country to the responsibilities that are theirs now and will be theirs in the coming days.

Bethune-Cookman College is situated in a section of our nation where the education of youth is subsidized. For forty years I have given the very best I have had to the building of an institution which would help make useful citizens for our great nation. God and our friends have not failed us up to this point.

At present, our school is in desperate need of money for our teachers and dependent students. I am writing now to ask if it would be at all possible for you to make a contribution at this time, to our cause. I know that you are cognizant of the fact that any contribution made in this direction can be included in your income tax deductions.

Whatever you wish to give at this time will be deeply appreciated and helpful.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

Mary McLeod Bethune
President Emeritus

With best wishes from
Mr. & Mrs. E. C. Carter

Walgreen
DRUG STORES

HARRY GOLDSTINE
VICE PRESIDENT

744 BOWEN AVENUE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

November 29, 1943

Mr. R. L. Christian
100 S. Beach
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Christian:

Enclosed herewith please find check in the amount of $25.00 payable to the Bethune-Cookman College, which is our contribution.

Kindly present this check to the proper person and oblige.

Sincerely,
Harry Goldstine

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Bethune—Cookman Colg.

Gentlemen,—Am enclosing ck. for $10.00, a subscription to your college work.

Again I ask you to correct the spelling of my name; it is Field. there is no "s" in my name: I have called your attention to this before.

Very truly
L J Field

Visit Jamestown on Chautauqua Lake

December 30, 1943

Mrs. Mary McCleod Bethune
1318 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

This morning I received a letter from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court which is the highest Court of record in this state. He told me he had a number of books that he wished to give to a library that might need them and he asked me to suggest such a library.

I am of course going to suggest Bethune-Cookman but in answering the Chief Justice's letter I should like to be able to include a printed statement about Bethune-Cookman college and its founder. Would you be kind enough to send to me by airmail such a statement in order that I may promptly reply to this communication. Raymond joins me in sending best wishes for the coming New Year to you. Please also tell Bert and Marg that they are included in this greeting.

Very sincerely yours,

India

STA :M

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General Correspondence 1944 -

Dawn

HOTEL LAKE ALFRED
"In the Lake Region"
LAKE ALFRED, FLORIDA

March 1st 1944

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

As a member of your College Birthday Club I am enclosing check for $7.80 on my 78th birthday.

The years surely do roll on!

Many pleasant memories come to me as I think of the visits from year to year that I have made to your School – especially when I was wintering at Daytona Beach.

Congratulations are certainly due you for what you have accomplished by your faithful and unceasing work for Bethune-Cookman. My best wishes are with you for your continued success.

Cordially yours
Margaret A. Fairbanks
[Mrs. Geo. A.]

Home address:- Newport, New Hampshire.

March 22, 1944

Mrs. Margaret A. Fairbanks
Hotel Lake Alfred
Lake Alfred, Florida

My dear Mrs. Fairbanks;

May I express my sincere gratitude to you for your very encouraging letter of recent date, and acknowledge receipt of your contribution of $7.80 to our Birthday Club. Enclosed is an official receipt for this amount.

We are grateful for your continued interest in our program and for your financial help to our Institution. The generous gifts of influence, advice and money of interested friends like you have made it possible for us to continue this much-needed work.

Please tell your friends about our Institution and be assured of our deep gratitude for all you have done,and may continue to do, for this work.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1944

Dr. J. E. P. Camper
639 N. Carey Street
Baltimore, Maryland

My dear Dr. Camper:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in our Institution and for your contribution of $25.00, toward current expenses. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

The generous gifts of influence, advice, service and money from friends like you make it possible for us to continue this much-needed program of Christian education for our young people. Please be assured of our deep gratitude for all you have done, and may continue to do, for this work.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
President-Emeritus.

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1 enclosure.

905-4th Ave. South
St. Petersburg, Fla.
October 21, 1945.

To The Treasurer of
Bethune-Cookman College,

Please find enclosed $12.30 from the Woman's Society of Christian Service, South Florida Conference, designated money.

Yours Sincerely
(Mrs. C.R.A.) Rowena V. Banks
Conference Treasurer,
W.S.C.S.

Rec'd
#451

U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

Ath. Dept. Saufley Field
Pensacola, Florida
Oct. 22. 1945.

Dear Dr. Bethune;

Enclose a postal money order to cover my pledge. wishing to be of future service ——

Sincerely Yours
Jas M Hart

Rec'd
Contribution

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FRANK D. BAKER
TREASURER

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150 CAUSEWAY ST.

JOHNSTOWN, PENNA., Oct. 22, 1945

Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

SALES SUBJECT TO STRIKES, ACCIDENTS, TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES OR OTHER CAUSES BEYOND OUR CONTROL. RAILROAD WEIGHTS GOVERN ALL SALES. QUOTATIONS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE AND ORDERS NOT BINDING UNTIL ACCEPTED IN WRITING BY US.

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Please find enclosed my check in an amount of $40.00 as a contribution to your worthwhile college. I know that you are doing a very excellent work, and that is why I am willing to contribute although the amount may be small. Nevertheless, it shows that I am appreciative of the good work you are doing.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Frank D Baker

Frank D. Baker
240 Vine Street
Johnstown, Penna.

FDB:BH

Encl.

MRS. ROMAN HENRY HEYN
10 HOYT STREET
NORWALK, CONNECTICUT

October 30, 1945

Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach,
Florida.

Gentlemen:

In response to your letter of October 16th, I am pleased to enclose my check for $20.00 as a contribution toward the good work you are doing.

This money is being donated for the exclusive use of Bethune-Cookman College and under no circumstances is to be turned over to the United Negro College Fund.

Kindly return receipt and oblige.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Roman H. Heyn,
By C. M. Harrington

CH:m

474 Summit St.,
Bridgeport, Conn.,
Nov. 23, 1945.

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Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Sirs:

While in training at the Second Wac Training Center, I attended one of your Sunday afternoon programs and have never forgotten it. Please accept this check as a token of appreciation and a wish for a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Adeline Grabber.

Community Entertaining

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Henri's Beauty Shoppe
382 NORTH 20TH STREET
EVERGREEN 7623
COLUMBUS 3, OHIO

Feb. 24, '47

Dear Madam;

I'm sending you $10.00 for the Building Fund. Sent from the Phi-zeta-mu Sorority

Pres. Mrs. Embrey

Corr. Secy. Miss Va. Brown

B. M. Ford School of Beauty Culture
BEULAH M. FORD, DIRECTRESS

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ALBANY, N. Y., 2 / 28/ 47 194

Dr. Mary Mc leod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

My Dear Dr. Bethune:

Please accept this little token along with my regret. However trying to enlarge our little school, a sick mother and many other things over which I have no control prevents me from being present or rather sharing the wonderful hospitality extended our organization.

Find enclosed $11.00 with best wishes for your success in your great undertaking.

Yours truly
Beulah M Ford
Beulah M Ford

3/3/47

R-2127

March 24, 1947

Miss Beulah M. Ford, Directress
B. M. Ford School of Beauty Culture
96 Second Street
Albany, New York

Dear Miss Ford:

Thank you kindly for your letter enclosing $11.00 which amount represents a contribution from the B. M. Ford School of Beauty Culture to the Building Fund of Bethune-Cookman College. Official receipt for this amount is enclosed.

We are grateful for this manifestation of your interest and confidence in our program.

The meeting of the United Beauty School Owners and Teachers Association was a marvelous success. The spirit and enthusiasm of this national organization brought joy to the trustees, faculty and students of Bethune-Cookman. It is very encouraging to have friends like you and your outstanding organization step in and pledge your support in the continuation and development of this institution.

May God bless you in all of your efforts and may you continue thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

MMB-T

March 24, 1947

Miss Georgia Mae Brown
Brown's School of Beauty Culture
4043 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Miss Brown:

Your letter of recent date to Mrs. Marjorie S. Joyner has been referred to me for my information and reply.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your contribution of $10.00 to the Bethune-Cookman College Building Fund. Official receipt for this amount is enclosed. We are grateful for this manifestation of your interest and confidence in our program.

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

MMB-T

March 28, 1947

The Vermont Club
J. O. Cadding, Secretary
309 Ora Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cadding:

May we express our gratitude for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your generous contribution of $ 20.00 in support of our program.

We enclose official receipt for this gift with our deep appreciation.

The delay in sending this receipt has been due to the fact that our secretary in charge of this work has been out of the office.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB-T

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Florida,

My dear Dr. Bethune:-

Enclosed please find check for fifteen ($15) dollars as dues for Club Memberships.

With best wishes

Sincerely yours
Margaret A. Fairbanks
[Mrs. Geo. A]
Newport
N. H.
Mar. 5/47

March 28, 1947

Mrs. George A. Fairbanks
Newport, New Hampshire

Dear Mrs. Fairbanks:

May we express our gratitude for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $ 15.00 in support of our program.

We enclose official receipt for this gift with our deep appreciation.

The delay in sending this receipt has been due to the fact that our secretary in charge of this work has been out of the office.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Date Feb 10 1947

Louise M. Bowers

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THE PHIFER STATE BANK
CONFERENCE DEPOSITORY
GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

March 28, 1947

Mrs. Louise M. Bowers
Fort Meade, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bowers:

May we express our gratitude for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your generous contribution of $25.36 in support of our program.

We enclose official receipt for this gift with our deep appreciation.

The delay in sending this receipt has been due to the fact that our secretary in charge of this work has been out of the office for the past month.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB-W

April 1, 1947

Mrs. Mary Ellis
423 South Wheatland Avenue
Columbus 4, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Ellis:

I regret very much that your fruit has not reached you. If has been difficult to secure crates. As soon as I go down into the citrus section to get them I will send the fruit immediately to you.

Very truly yours,

Maxwell W. Saxon
Business Manager

882 S. 14th E.
Salt Lake City, Utah
May 1, 1947

Mary McLeod Bethune, President Emeritus
Bethune - Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Madam:

It was very nice of you to write and tell me of your plans in the direction of Instrumental Music.

At the present time I am considering several positions but I will not make any decision on any of them until I hear more from you in regard to the proposed music program for the coming year.

Very respectfully yours,

Ralph French

Chicago Ill
May 3/47

My Dear Mrs Bethune
Inclosed find M.O. for 100.00 for you from Mrs Scott who has our Sorority Chapter in Rochester She sent in 100.00 before at the Convention Re-Write her a nice letter then return this letter to me. Sorry I cannot be with you May 9th Here is my Vote. We will be sending in money as it comes to us or they may send it direct - Love to you from

Your
Marjorie Joyner

P.S. I left line Blank for You to fill in a Proxy for me. any one you Chose

~~1215~~ N. TAMARIND AVE.
PHONE 8633
WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.

133 N. W. FIRST ST.
PHONE 9114
DELRAY BEACH, FLA.

Coleman Funeral Home
1215 N. TAMARIND AVE.
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

May 7, 1947

The President,
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My Dear Mra. Bethune:

Attached hereto you will please find my check in the amount of Five Dollars, ($5.00) to be used as a prize at Commencement time.

Very truly yours,

Geo. P. Coleman

May 10, 1947

Mr. George P. Coleman
1215 North Tamarind Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Coleman;

May we express our gratitude for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College for your contribution of $5,00 to be given as Prize Award to the student receiving the highest average in all Education ecourses, and in Practice Teaching. Each year the students eagerly await the announcement of this Award.

We enclose official receipt for this gift with our sincerest appreciation.

The delay in sending this receipt has been due to the fact that our secretary in charge of this work has been in the midst of assembling our Commencement material.

Sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 10, 1947

Dr. Mary T. Greene
Castile,
New York

Dear Dr. Greene:

It was a delight having you and your friends visit with us some few weeks ago.

In your letter you asked about the possibility of getting a book of my life. There is no full-length book of my life as yet, but one is in the process of being written. Perhaps when it is finished you may secure a copy then. However, there is a biographical sketch in 13 AGAINST THE ODDS by Edwin Embree that you may get at local bookstores.

May I thank you again for your interest and visit us whenever you find the time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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MARY T. GREENE, M. D.
SANITARIUM
CASTILE, NEW YORK

May 4,1947.

My dear Mrs Bethune;--

It was a joy to meet you the other day when Mrs Mollie Brooks Pierson took us to your home

Since coming away I have wanted to get ~~-your-life-~~ the best book of your life.

Would you please ask some one to send just a card to tell me where it can be had,and the price.

I have read in many papers for fifty years about the fine things you have always done for people.

Gratefully and
Cordially,
Mary T.Greene

MARY T. GREENE, M. D.
SANITARIUM
CASTILE, NEW YORK

Dr Mary T.Greene,
Castile,
New York.

OFFICE
PHONE 4559

J. H. RUSSELL DYETT, M. D.
528 THIRD STREET
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

June 3, 1947

Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida

Sirs:

Am enclosing a check for $50.00 and am asking that you credit Mr. Geo. P. Coleman's quota with same.

Respectfully yours,
J H Russell Dyett

ALL ANYONE REALLY REQUIRES AS A CAPITAL ON WHICH TO START A SUCCESSFUL CAREER, IS SOUND MIND, A **HEALTHY BODY** AND A GENUINE DESIRE TO BE OF AS MUCH SERVICE AS POSSIBLE TO AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE.

June 6, 1947

Dr. J. H. Russell Dyett
528 Third Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Dyett:

May we express our gratitude to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your recent contribution of $50.00 in support of our program. This amount, as you requested, will be credited to Mr. Coleman's quota. Official receipt for this gift is enclosed.

We are happy to know that we have friends such as you who are interested in the development and growth of the institution.

With best wishes for your continued health and happiness, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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TELEPHONE 9183

July 24,1947

Bethune Cookman College

Daytona Beech, Fla.

Dr.Mary McLeod Bethune:

We the Sigma Phi Zeta Sorority, of Alpha Phi Omega, and Calmese's Beauty School.We are asking that you except A-- part of our report on the building funds the sum of($25.oo) twenty five dollars. We hope to send the balance in the nearest future.

Special Building Project

"Respectfully submitted",

(founder)Mrs. R.L.Calmese Russell
(member) Mrs.Laurine Warbington
Miss. Albertha Love
Mrs. Dessie Armstrong
" Willie F, Morgan
" Juanita Hodges
Miss.Johnie L, Easley
" Odet Campbell
" Aarean Lynch
" Myrtle Love
" Desma Tidmore
" Leslie Riley

Set copy of
letter written to
Beauticians + 9 PV
Pamela 9/1

July 29, 1947

Mrs. R. L. Calmese Russell
2500 - 5th Street
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Russell:

Thank you kindly for your letter enclosing $25.00 which amount represents a contribution from the Sigma Phi Zeta Sorority, of Alpha Phi Omega and Calmese's Beauty School. Official receipt for this amount is enclosed.

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May God bless you in all of your efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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National Council of Negro Women, Inc.
1318 VERMONT AVENUE, NORTHWEST
WASHINGTON 5, D. C.

AIR MAIL
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

WASHINGTON
NOV 19
1947

Mrs. Eloise Thompson
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE
Founder-President

National Council of Negro Women, Inc.
(Affiliated with the National Council of Women of the United States, Inc., and International Council of Women of the World)

1318 Vermont Avenue, Northwest
Washington 5, D. C.
Telephone: COlumbia 4491

November 17, 1947

Mrs. Eloise Thompson
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Eloise:

Thank you for your letter. I wish all of these contributions of mine to be assigned to the Continuation Fund. I am very happy that Miss Anderson has sent this money.

I shall send Mrs. Cardelia Stewart's address as soon as we can locate it. Please give this water bill to Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Mary McLeod Bethune
Founder-President

NOTE: Mrs. Bethune read your letter to me. This is its answer (smile).

I expect to come down for Inez's wedding. Perhaps I shall see you then.

Bessie

write
Bessie + Bailey
Mrs [illegible]
Secty [illegible]
1318 [illegible]
for addresses of the people to [illegible]
[illegible] receipts

Official Organ: "THE AFRAMERICAN WOMAN'S JOURNAL"

November 24, 1947

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
1318 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I have just returned hot, literally, from our opening meeting of the Advisory Board. It was full of interest but I will not go into any details with you.

The point of this letter is to ask whether you have been successful in your promised effort to obtain one of the distinguished Negro singers for a concert which would be, as you remember, the chief project of our Board for the coming season. This was decided last spring in meeting.

The general preference of the Board would be Marian Anderson or some other woman singer. If it were possible to obtain Marian Anderson, Mrs. Butts, with her usual enthusiasm, feels that we could net $5,000.00 without any effort other than to beat off people who would want to buy tickets but couldn't. I myself think that her name above all would be the most attractive for such a program. But if it is not possible to have her, I think of Dorothy Maynor, of course, and you may know of others. I know there are several splendid young singers, but a big name indisputably a big box office attraction.

Our next meeting will be the first Monday in December and we hope to have good news from you to report at that time, December 1st.

We missed you today, but we had a splendid report from President Moore who was also absent.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Wellington

Ft. Myers, Fla.
1546 High St.
Dec. 4, 1947.

Bethune-Cookman College
Office of President
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Sir:

We, the members of the newly organized Bethune-Cookman Club and friends of the said school, are sending you our contribution to the financial drive. It isn't as much as we had hoped to send but due to our small membership and the lack of time we have done the best that we could.

Enclosed is a for $ and the names and adresses of the doners. Heres wishing for you a very successful school year and a very prosperous financial drive.

Very truly yours,
M. J. Garrison, Pres.
E. C. Stallworth, Sec't.

Rev. Fair's' sister

General Correspondence 1948 --

CONFERENCE ON ADULT EDUCATION AND THE NEGRO

HEADQUARTERS:
EXTENSION DIVISION
HAMPTON INSTITUTE, HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

Refer to Pres. Moore

WALTER R. CHIVERS, PRESIDENT
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January 8, 1948

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

The Conference on Adult Education and the Negro is inviting your institution to participate in its new program to remove illiteracy and to promote world understanding among Negro adults. We are scheduled to have our next annual meeting at South Carolina State College, Orangeburg, South Carolina, in April 1949. Definite dates will be announced soon. We sincerely hope we can count on you to cooperate:

1. By sending a $5.00 institutional membership.
2. By sending one or more representatives to this meeting.
3. By letting me know on the enclosed sheet what adult education your institution is conducting or will conduct this year.

Accept my thanks for whatever help you can give and my best wishes for the new year.

Very sincerely yours,

W. M. Cooper

William M. Cooper
Secretary-Treasurer

WMC:qr

Enclosure

To President Moore - for reply

Miss Oliver

Gen. Letter of Possibilities

516 West I57th Street
New York 32, N.Y.
Jan. II,1948

Answer
Send appli.

Dr. Mary MCCloud Bethune
Bethune _Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Dr. Bethune;
I M.Jean Cherry am a Teacher of Beauty Culture, and am also an opperator presently employed at the Rose-Meta House Of Beauty,inc.

Dr. Bethune, I am writing you because Iwould to know if there is any way that you could possiably introduce the teaching of Beauty-Culture on the Campus.

It would mean much to me for my mother is not well and is quite aged, And I would like to come home and care for her.

It would also mean quite a large sum of money for B.C.C. annualy.

It would also mean that the Teachers and Students could beautified right on the campus.There could be a Hair Style & Fashion Show, which would raise the B.C.C.Drive quota.

I saw in the Ebony Magazine where you have the one and only Colored Resort, the People could come in from the beach and have their hair done.

Will supply you with all credentialso of character , work, & school. Thanks in Advance for all considerations.

Greatfully yours
M.Jean Cherry

Night Letter
Message sent
March 27, 1948
Thompson

March 28, 1948

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
1318 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Sorry you cannot be with us today. We are thinking tenderly of you and wishing for you all the blessings and contentment a Happy Easter can bring.

The Faculty and Students of
Bethune-Cookman College

May 4, 1948

Dear Arabella:

Everything is moving along smoothly here. I am leaving tomorrow. Things are working out all right.

I am very anxious to know what you and Venice are working out concerning Jeanetta. This is deeply on my mind. We just have to get Jeanetta. I hope that the women will fall in line and help us promote this program. This seems to be the best thing we can do.

Give my regards to Mrs. Jordan and Sadie. All your friends here send love and best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mrs. Arabella Denniston-Weems
1318 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

MMB-J

March 1-1949
Columbus Ohio

Mrs Mary Bethune

As First Anti Bas
Of Chi Zetta Mu Chapter Of
~~Alpha Phi Ome~~ga Sorority
It is With great Pleasure
We Present to You this
Amount 100.00
May success be Yours

Mary Ellis - 1st Anti Bas.

Miss Wact to [illegible]

803 Chestnut Street
Wilmington, N.C.
March 21, 1949

Dr. M. McLeod Bethune, Pres.
Nat. Council of Negro Women
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Bethune:

I have read with deep interest your article, "My Secret Talks With President Roosevelt" in April's number of Ebony Magazine. Truly your life is a living Monument of Service, and is certainly an inspiration to all age groups of many races and in many countries.

Among the many thousands of persons whom you meet from time to time, I am sure it is impossible for you to remember a casual individual. In 1937 on my return from West Africa, I had the privilege to meet you in your NYA office in D.C., which was indeed a pleasure. I regret that I was not in the city when you came to Wilmington a few years ago.

I would that I could have the privilege to be in your company even just one hour, but as that seems impossible, I beg your kind consideration of this message: Again I am interested to give to youth the benefit of my experience through my book, Life in North Africa, "Jean and Tom in Casablanca"
My first book, African Primitive Life in Sierra Leone" has been well received, it is found in many libraries, both at home, U.S.A. and abroad. This book I financed the publishing.

I do think if children could be~~t~~ taught factual things of appreciation of all races of people, the World of Tomorrow could have a better understanding of its peoples, which would lead towards more friendliness and unity.

I am now seeking a Publisher for my manuscript. Similar sections as the inclosed have been sent to fifty or more publishers, their general reply: "Your material is well organized, interesting and informative, shortage of paper prevent our acceptance".

Last month copies of inclosed were sent to Supt. of City and County Schools in N.C. and other states, in a few weeks one hundred or more Certified orders were received for Copies of the book to be sent as soon as published.

So thus it stands, Publishers say the material is worthwhile, School authorities are sending certified orders for the book, same to be sent to them as soon as published.

I am greatly in need a o Publisher to accept my manuscript. Dr. Bethune I feel sure that your influence with a Publisher could put my work over,

My first Book, "African Primitive Life of Sierra Leone" I had to finance its publishing, a copy of same was sent to you in '45, it was acknowleged by your Secretary, at that time you were in California to the Peace Conference. I realize that at that time you were gravely concerned with the Country's Problems. I was interested to know your opinion of that little book. If that copy is not with you I will be pleased to send you another copy.

I am grateful to you for any advice you may give in aiding the publishing of my book.

With thanks and appreciation, I am

Very sincerely yours,
Carrie Guerphan Hargrave
Carrie Guerphan Hargrave
(Sister to the late Theodosia Hargrave-Walden)
your school mate at Scotia Seminary)

P.S. Mrs. Louise Walden Graves
415 Hobart Place N.W.
Wash. D.C. the Asst. Director of Music
in D. C. Schools, is the second
daughter of Sister Theodosia.

803 Chestnut Street
Wilmington, N.C.
February 11, 1949

To; Supt.

I am writing to you in interest of the inclosed chapter from my manuscript of "Jean and Tom in Casablanca", by Carrie G. Hargrave.

Mr. H. M. Roland, Supt. of New Hanover County Schools, has reviewed the manuscript and gave to me the following statement, I quote:

"This is to certify that New Hanover County Schools will take at least 40 copies of "Jean and Tom in Casablanca" at any time they can be published."

Signed,

H. M. Roland
Supt. of Schools.

My objective is to obtain a sufficient number of certified orders to warrant my having this book published. If you will be interested in having this book in your schools, I will be pleased to give further information. Your order will be appreciated.

Yours truly,
Carrie G. Hargrave
Carrie G. Hargrave
Former A.R.C. Worker
Casablanca, N.Africa

"This book is written by a Negro teacher who has lived in Africa three years- The book could be used as a supplementary reader in Negro Elementary schools and a copy should be in every school library in white schools as well."

H. M. Roland

JEAN AND TOM IN CASABLANCA

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JEAN AND TOM IN CASABLANCA

Background for the Trip - The Big Surprise

One cloudy afternoon Jean and Tom rushed home from school. They raced up the stone steps and into the house.

"Yoo Hoo!" yelled Tom as he opened the door.

"Aunt Ce-Lia", called Jean following close behind her twin brother.

"What's the matter?" asked Aunt Celia from the top of the winding stairway.

"May we go?" pleaded Jean.

"Go where?" asked Aunt Celia.

"Wait, Jean", said Tom holding out his hand as if to push Jean back. "Let me tell her."

"Aunt Celia, Ned and Polly have some new skates and invited us to go skating with them this afternoon". "Please, may we go?"

"It looks like rain children and both of you know what that means." said Aunt Celia.

"Sure, but what's a little rain ti a big boy like me." said Tom as he stood erect and pounded his chest with his fist - Ned and I can go skating and let the girls wait until another day". "I want to go too", said Jean. "Iam as strong as Tom".

By this time Aunt Celia was at the foot of the stairway. "It looks very much like raian", said Aunt Celia. "To-morrow may be a better day to go - If you get wet you will catch a cold, and a cold means a day out of school. I thought both of you wanted a perfect attendance record this year. Is that right?" asked Aunt Celia as she smilled at the twins.

Jean and Tom agreed with Aunt Celia but they could'ne help showing their disappointment.

Before they had time to feel sorry for themselves Aunt Celia called them into the kitchen for a sandwich and a glass of milk which they eagerly looked forwarded to every afternoon at this time.

WWhen you have finished eating your lunch I have a big surprise for you". said Aunt Celia.

"A surprise! exclaimed Jean and Tom at once.

"What is it?" inquired Jean eagerly - Tom did'nt say anything. He wanted to go skating. No matter what the surprise was it could'ne be as good as skating, thought Tom. It just could'ne be.

Both children sat down to the littlet table to eat. "It's raining", whispered Jean to Tom as she pointed to some raindrops on the window pane. Tom looked - then gave a sigh. "Guess it's no use" he said as he took a big bite of his sandwich. Aunt Celia could always make good sandwiches and every day they were different. By this time the sandwiches were half gone it was raining harder. Tom felt much better for he knew now that no one colud go skating, and he guessed he wanted to hear the surprise after all.

When the lunch was over and the things cleared away, Jean and Tom ran up stairs calling as they went -"What' the surprise Aunt Celia, What's the surprise ?"

Before they could reach Aunt Celia's room at the end of the hall, the door opened half way, and out came a loud voice - "Surprise ! Surprise !" The door was opened wide and there stood a tall broad shouldered man in U.S. Officer's uniform.

"Uncle Ben." shouted Tom as he ran ahead of Jean. "It's Uncle Ben!"

"Uncle Ben You're home", shouted Jean, following close behind Tom. "This is a surprise".

Both children threw their arms around Uncle Ben's neck and covered him with kisses, while he gave them a Big Hug.

"My ! but it's good to see you", said Uncle Ben, looking admiringly from one to the other. "And how you have grown".

"When did you come Uncle Ben?, asked Tom.

"Why did you hide from us? Did you bring us something from overseas ? asked Jean.

"Wait a minute", said Uncle, gasping for breath as the children cling to his neck. "Not so many questions at once!"

The three of them went into the room where Aunt Celia stood laughing and crying at the same time. She was so happy that her husband had arrived home safely. Quickly she brushed away her tears, and pushed the three hassocks together near the window. Uncle Ben sat on the big one in the middle with Jean and Tom on either side of him, while Aunt Celia sat near by in her comfortable rocker.

Uncle Ben had served in both the North African and the European theaters of World War II.

From his open suit case on the floor Uncle Ben took a package and placed it in Aunt'Celia's lap. Then he pulled out two smaller packages and tossed one to Jean and one to Tom.

Jean opened her's first - "Oh look! " she exclaimed with glee. "A real bracelet, and here's my name on it, and Casablanca too", "Yes Jean", said Uncle Ben, "I had that made for you in Casablanca". For this Jean gave Uncle Ben a great big hug.

"O Boy!" look what I've got", said Tom, as he rubbed his fingers over the carved design on the bill folder Uncle Ben had brought him. "Gee money!? he gasped as he looked inside - "Boy O Boy! is this great ! Now I can be just like Daddy and Uncle Ben" exclaimed Tom.

"What kind of money is this?" asked Tom as he examined the money more closely.

"Let me see", said Jean".

They all put their heads together while Uncle Ben explained the foreign money he had brought to Tom. One piece was paper currency full of bright colored pictures - scenery, it also had IOO Francs marked on it. Uncle Ben told them that it was French money and that this piece was worth $2.00 (two dollars) in our money. Another smaller paper currency was marked 5 Francs (Cinq Francs) "This piece is worth 10 cents in our money" Uncle Ben said. "You see", said Uncle Ben "One Franc has the value of two cents in our money". "Now I am sure that you will be able to tell the value of all the French money as as related to our coins and currency".

"What did you get Aunt Celia?", asked Jean.

"I thought you would want to see my gift",said Aunt Celia. "As you were so excited over your own gifts,I thought I would I thought I would wait."

Aunt Celia held up a beautiful pair of green leather sandals. "They are hand made", sah exclaimed. "And embroidered with gold and silver threads", said Jean.

"Gee! are'nt they beautiful", said Tom. "They were made by the Arabs in Casablanca", said Uncle Ben - "They do marvelous work; you should see what the children can do. Little folks, no bigger than either of you can do the finest kinds of embroidering, weaving and even rug making. Both the boys and at an early age, learn to do their native art and craft work".

These were not all of the gifts Uncle Ben had brought - others were in the larger packages which were yet to be opened.

"I have some more pictures for you", said Uncle Ben to Jean and Tom. "That's if you are not tired of pictures - I have sent you so many", he said teasingly. He knew the children liked the pictures he had sent to them and always asked for more.

"By the way, what did you do with those pictures anyway? asked Uncle Ben.

"The Scrap Book! shouted Tom, He made one leap and was out of the room and back before you could pop your fingers.

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"Here it is", he said breathlessly, as he rushed in holding a large scrap book in his arms. "The scrap book was placed on Uncle Ben's lap. "These are the things we want to know more about", said Tom, as he held the first ten pages of the book between his fingers and thumb . And in the back are all the places we would like to visit.

March 29, 1949

Mr. Horace Hill
Attorney for the Plaintiffs
For a Suit Against the
City Commissioners of Daytona Beach and
William H. G. France
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Hill:

I have read thoroughly the copy concerning the suit of the Plaintiffs against the City Commissioners of Daytona Beach and William H. G. France, Defendants, prohibiting the establishing of a bar or place of business for the sale and consumption of intoxicating beverages at 579 Second Avenue, and I am happy to join in the complaint and defense against such an establishment.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB-T

December 2, 1949

Mrs. Arabella Denniston
National Council of Negro Women
1318 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Arabella,

I have just gone over the financial condition of the Council. I do not understand the honorarium you have set-up for me. As I understood it, they gave me, out of their good wishes, an honorarium in 1947. It was not paid in full—only part of it and they did not recommend paying the remainder.

As for setting up an honorarium of that amount for me in 1949, I would like for you to go carefully over the budget and see if that was the case. If so, then your statement in the budget is correct.

I am concerned about the amount of money that I loaned the Council. You gave me $600.00 not so long ago. I would like to know if there is a balance. I do not want any money that I have loaned the Council included in the honorarium they want to give me. I would like for the $1,000 from Mr. Dawson to come as a contribution to the Council. I have explained this to him.

I want you to be very careful and make sure that the Council made a statement of giving me an honorarium of $5,000 for two years, as I do not want any disturbance in their thinking. I note on your statement less $208.33. What does that mean? Is that the money that I loaned the Council? Please make this clear. I do not understand it and I do not want it to get into the hands of the finance committee until I am sure it is clear and in accordance with the minutes and budget of the Council.

I arrived home safely. It is my plan to return to Washington around December 9.

With love to all, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB-T

Joseph Francis Albright
Veterans Administration
Central Office, Rm. 118
Washington 25, D. C.

December 2, 1949

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Ma:

The Pittsburgh Council of NCNW is doing one of the finest jobs in rendering assistance to veterans, particularly in hospitals, that I have had an opportunity to observe since I have been on this job. Other big plans are being made to be effected in January and February, during which time I shall be invited back to participate in. Thought you would like to know this, as it all began through the cooperation of this office with NCNW.

Ethel Ramos Harris has told me that she would like to go to Haiti to render service during the forthcoming Haitian Centennial. I can think of nothing that would reflect more glory upon NCNW than to have Ethel represent it at this great celebration in a cultural capacity. The only reason that I am telling you this is to add my humble support to the idea, which I understand has already been put forth. I sincerely hope she gets to go, and I am being a little bit selfish in my hope perhaps because of the great service she is rendering veterans and particularly sick veterans.

I sincerely trust, Ma, that the National Council of Negro Women will take the ball in seeing to it that Negroes are properly represented in the forthcoming Sesquicentennial Celebration in Washington in 1950. It would be tragic if we missed the boat through our failure to move in now on the ground floor. I am very definitely joined in this belief by Daisy Lampkin and Jessie Vann with whom I talked at length in Pittsburgh. In addition, I have talked it over with President Ferebee, and she seems of the same opinion.

This is to further advise you that Mr. George L. Holland, my dear friend and assistant, and Special Liaison Representative of this agency, will be in the area of Bethune-Cookman College on the dates of January 24-29. He proposes to call at the school and render any service possible.

When I talked with the President of the Jacksonville Metropolitan Council of NCNW, I was to receive a special invitation to come to Jacksonville sometime during the middle of January to address a huge mass meeting, which was to be sponsored by a group of interested citizens. I cannot be there on any of the dates of January 15 to 30 as my commitments are made elsewhere. However, I do hope the invitation will be extended for me to come down at some later date.

Please take good care of yourself, Ma. You will be interested to know that the Associate Membership Drive is getting well underway, and things are moving extremely well. Nothing has changed in my mind concerning the possibility of reaching that $100,000 goal next year.

Your devoted "adopted son"

Joe

Could come to Jacksonville between Jan 5-10.

January 4, 1950

Mr. Joseph F. Albright
Veterans Administration
Central Office, Room 118
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Albright,

I am here resting, enjoying the beautiful sunshine and watching the grass and flowers grow. Just as I sad down to my desk, I found this lovely letter from you.

It is thrilling to learn of the great work that is being done by the Pittsburgh Council of NCNW.

You know I will be most happy to do whatever I can to help Ethel Ramos Harris render service during the forthcoming Haitian Centennial. I don't know yet just what the program is to be. If we are to have representation there, I shall do all I can to see that she become one of the representatives. I am also looking into the forthcoming Sesquicentennial Celebration in Washington in 1950. As soon as I return to Washington, I will go forward with plans along this line and I am sure Dorothy will do all that she can. I gave Dr. Ferebee advice along this line before I left. I asked her to go directly to the White House and find out definitely the part Negroes are to take--certainly, the NCNW must have a representative there.

When Mr. George L. Holland comes to Florida you must, by all means, have him come to Bethune-Cookman College. I am calling this to the attention of the President of the College. It will be very lovely for you to come down to Jacksonville, but you must plan to visit Bethune-Cookman College and talk to the people here. The President of the College will send an invitation to you inviting you to come down. January 5-10 is too early. Students are just returning from the Christmas vacation and getting settled for the New Year. However, if that is the only time that you can come, I think you ought to be here.

Best wishes for the choicest blessings of the New Year.

Sincerely yours,

MMB-Z

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
631 Pearl Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

You were good enough to write us on August 9 that our bill for the press clippings will be paid in late September or early October of this year.

We have not yet received your check and are wondering whether this has escaped your mind and for the moment, forgotten altogether. We are therefore enclosing another bill and would greatly appreciate it if you could give this your immediate attention.

Thanking you, we are

Very truly yours,

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November 8, 1951

Mr. A. M. Goldberg
International Press Clipping Bureau
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Dear Mr. Goldberg:

I paid you in advance for the first year of your clipping service, and I did not authorise you to go into the second year. I wanted to use the first year as an experiment, in order that I might ascertain whether or not your clipping service would suffice my needs.

Your service has not reached the channels through which the references to my own life are found. You seemingly do not deal with any of the Negro Press' work.

I shall, therefore, ask you to discontinue your services to me, because of the inadequacy of the services to my personal needs. I do not feel that I owe you $122.00.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Founder President-Emeritus

November 23, 1951

Mrs. Billye G. Thomas
Spellman College
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear dear Billye:

I have just picked up the papers and saw that your devoted husband had passed. I am writing speedily to tell you how deeply I feel this, and how much I sympathize with you.

I wish that you were near me, so that you might put your head upon my shoulder and feel my real mother's care. Please be strong, for He will give you strength. I am sorry you did not let me know. I would have been right beside you.

All of us send our deepest sympathy to you -- Bert, "Little Albert", Lovey, and all of those who know and love you. Come to see me when you will. May God bless you, my child. His strength is sufficient.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

1/30/52

TELEGRAM

To: Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
c/o Mrs. Sadie Mills Franklin
Freedman's Hospital
Washington 25, D. C.

MESSAGE: Please delay cancellation of April conference.
Come home as soon as you are able.

(Signed) Lee Nichols

Dear Mrs. Bethune: your Christmas messages I always enjoy very much! Thanks for thinking of me! Also that article about you in the January issue of Readers Digest I enjoyed. I thought it splendid and was happy that people were being told the very interesting story about you. It is quite possible that I may secure a visiting professorship to Queen Aliyah College in Je Baghdad for next year. My best wishes to you,

Sincerely,
Mabel Lee

GREETINGS AND FAREWELL FROM THE DIRECTOR

April 30, 1952

Dear Graduates, Former Staff, and Friends:

This is the last News Letter I will be sending out to you as the Director of your department, since my retirement from this position goes into effect at the close of this college year. It has been a most satisfying experience to have served the University of Nebraska and you staff members and students in this capacity for the past twenty-eight years. Your loyalty and your cooperation have meant much to me personally and much to the advancement of the work of the department. I bespeak the same loyalty and the same cooperation for my successor whoever she may be. (As I write this message, she has not yet been selected.)

As a final report to all of you on my own professional doings, I attach herewith a sheet of information recording the high-lights of my professional career from college graduation to retirement, all itmes of which from number 7 on were fulfilled in my capacity as the Director of Physical Education for Women from the University of Nebraska. Also attached is another sheet - photographic professional history, as it were - to meet the many requests from earlier graduates for a recent picture and from late graduates for a "how-did-you-look-when-you-first-came-to-Nebraska?" These sheets are included in this News Letter as my own personal contribution to you.

I proudly leave to you and to the University a department that has an enviable reputation throughout the nation for the excellence of its undergraduate preparation of teachers in our field. And I leave behind me a group of graduates who have carried on and are carrying on and will for many years to come carry on the highest of standards for our profession. It may well be a source of great pride to the University that our graduates are sought by institutions from all over the United States, with frequent calls comeing from China and Japan (before World War II), Canada, Australia, India, and South America. The colleges and universities that have taken our graduates on their physical education staffs make a long, proud list. Many of our graduates who have gone into recreation and physical therapy work are filling top-notch positions in their fields. Would that time and space permitted an individual listing of each one of you and of all the phases of work represented by our department graduates.

As my recreational hobby for the past few years, I have been working on five sets of books to leave "for the records", namely:

1. Six volumes of pictures of students, staff, and activities of the department, covering the years 1890 to 1952, insofar as I have been able to procure photographs and snapshots. All of these are now in uniform-size books, bound in Nebraska scarlet and cream covers, and will be completed as soon as final captions are in place. Since they are in loose-leaf binders, material that is found later on can readily be inserted in its proper historical place. (The group picture taken during the school year 1936-37 is lost. If anyone of that year has a print of the group picture, please send it to me to have copied for our department book. It will be returned to you promptly.)
2. One volume of departmental historical data, gleaned from many, many hours of research in library and registrar's records and from many, many conferences and much correspondence with early graduates and early staff members,
3. One very fat volume of sample programs and like souvenirs through the years.
4. Two volumes of Department News Letters from their beginnings in 1927 on.
5. One volume of Physical Education Club Chronicles saved (I am sorry to say, haphazardly) through the years from Vol. I, No. 1 of October 1940 on. There are many holes in the collection.

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All of these have been put together in uniform and standard bindings so that they can be housed on a single library shelf marked HISTORICAL DATA. And all of this data can easily be kept up to date, year by year, by the addition of similar loose-leaf books as needed.

This material I will place in safe keeping to be turned over to the Department when an appropriate safe space for it has been provided in the new building. The preparation of these books has been a most interesting task which I have enjoyed hugely.

And now GOOD BYE! In the years to come, I shall see many of you I am sure, and I shall think of you all often. My "Nebraska" years will always stand out in memory as very special years because of all of you fine girls whom it has been my good fortune to know and to work with.

Where will I be? What shall I be doing? The most immediate future holds a visiting professorship for the summer post session at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. After that, plans are a bit uncertain as of to date, for the following reason: In March, I received a letter from Washington, D. C., asking if I would be available and interested in an assignment for next year to a foreign lectureship in physical education for women. Being in excellent health and still full of pep and enthusiasm, and also having given up an opportunity for a foreign assignment this present year, my reply was "yes". Soon thereafter, I had filled out many sheets of information for the Washington office, checked on certain choices of assignments, and was then informed that whenever final decisions would be reached, I would be notified by the State Department and not to be surprised if several weeks elapse before I hear again. Hence my uncertainty for the present. If an assignment does not materialize for next fall, there is an invitation to make the dedicatory speech in September for a new physical education building in an Eastern college. Also, I must get at the revision of both of my books, and I have at least two other books which I have been wanting to write for several years and for which I shall now have time. So I shall be busy and happy!

In all probability, I shall be away from Lincoln for most, if not all, of 1952-53 but I will still have my home at 2248 Ryons Street. Whenever I am in town, the latch-string is out. I shall always be happy to see you.

Mail will be forwarded to me from the Department office and will no doubt receive quicker and better attention than if addressed to my home. Mark "Personal" all mail you wish forwarded to me. Please know that although I shall no longer be the head of this department, I still am available to serve you if needed. I shall, wherever I am, be interested in news of you.

Good health and much happiness always to each of you.

Sincerely,

Mabel Lee

Mabel Lee

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
PHYSICAL EDUCATION FOR WOMEN
LINCOLN

May 30, 1952

Dear Friends:

How can I ever adequately thank you for all the lovely things you have done for me! The banquet given in my honor Friday evening, May 23, was one of the loveliest parties ever given at the Student Union. It meant much hard work by many people. The decorations were most unusual and everything moved along most smoothly under the expert guidance of a most competent committee. Indeed all committees that have had anything to do with any details of my retirement honors have done a wonderful job. The banquet was a jolly affair. We had lots of fun. The majors and WAA Council put on some clever skits wearing my old gymnasium suits and even some of my old evening clothes and the very hat (lavendar, rose and blue) which I wore at parties given for me when I was first here being interviewed for this position. Orchesis presented a special number to my favorite dance music, Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2. Graduates and friends (51) came for the occasion from out of town from 14 different states: Maine, California, New York, Idaho, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, North Dakota, and out-state Nebraska. Two hundred and three attended the banquet - grads, former students, University faculty and administrative friends, Lincoln friends, and out-of-town personal and professional friends. All my family were here - three sisters and two brothers-in-law.

The speakers (two of my close professional associates, C. H. McCloy of the University of Iowa and Mabel Shirley of St. Olaf College, Frances McPherson Miller and Margaret Reedy Seymour for the Alumnae, Ruth Schellberg for the staff, in addition to the P.E.Club and WAA girls and the Chancellor) were too generous in their praise but their sincerity made their talks a heart-warming experience for me. The Women's Physical Education Club presented me with a beautiful Gruen watch. The present staff and service department gave me a Royal Doulton porcelain figurine, "Top-o-the-Hill", in gorgeous pastel colors. The Alumnae presented me a lovely large rose-colored tooled leather book with plastic folders to hold souvenirs, and it was chuck full of telegrams and letters of appreciation from my girls and friends from all over the U.S. and from Canada, South America, Lebanon, Germany, and Australia. The Mortar Board Alumnae sent me a magnificent orchid to wear with my lilac evening gown and Mr. Clarence Aldrich of Chicago, an old friend of many years standing, sent the beautiful floral decorations for the head table.

In his talk the Chancellor announced that recommendations are officially on file with the Board of Regents that when the new women's gymnasium is built it be named "The Mabel Lee Gymnasium"! The Department Alumnae presented "The Mabel Lee Scholarship Fund" of something now over $2000 contributed by 178 persons. Although it is an alumnae fund, many present and former staff members and several personal and professional friends contributed to it. Virginia Noble, a next year senior, was announced as the first recipient of the award. Then the W.A.A. presented "The Mabel Lee W.A.A. Scholarship", a $2000 fund donated by the organization. They announced Beverly Mann, WAA vice-president, as the first recipient of this scholarship. All of this was one big round of surprises and all far beyond anything I merit. Your faith in me and your loyalty and devotion fill me with gratitude, happiness, and humility. These events surrounding my reitrement will always remain a beautiful memory as long as I live! How can I ever sufficiently thank all of you who helped make the banquet such a success, who donated to the scholarship funds and the lovely personal gifts, and who paid me the honor of your presence at the recognition banquet, many of you coming from great distances to be with me that evening. May our paths cross frequently after my retirement. Happiness and good health to you all!

Sincerely yours,

Mabel Lee

After September 1, Director Emeritus

MABEL LEE

Director Physical Education For Women

University of Nebraska

1924 - 1952

Through the Years

1910

First year of teaching. Director of Physical Education for Women, Coe College.

1931

Taken when elected the first woman President of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

1924

First year at University of Nebraska as Director of Physical Education for Women.

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1939

Taken when honorary doctor's degree, LL.D, was conferred by Coe College.

1948

Recipient of
Gulick Award

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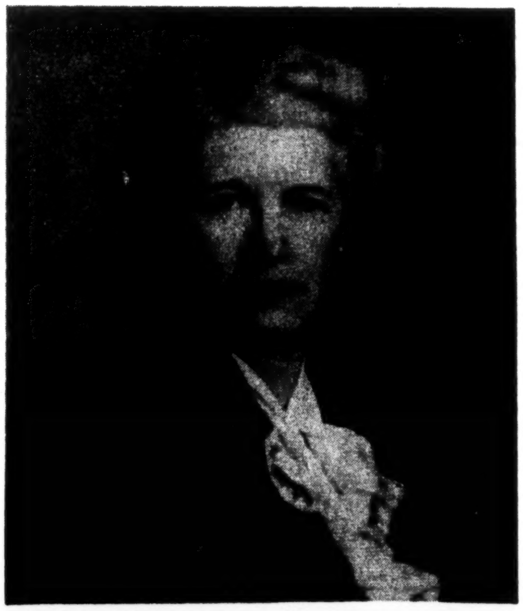

Taken when appointed by General Marshall as a member of his National Civilian Advisory Committee of the Women's Army Corps.

MABEL LEE — HIGH SPOTS OF PROFESSIONAL CAREER — 1908-1952

1. Graduated from Coe College, "Magna Cum Laude", 1908.

2. Two years of graduate work in physical education graduating from Department of Hygiene, Wellesley College, 1910.
3. Director of Physical Education for Women, Coe College, 1910-1918.

4. Director of Physical Education for Women, Oregon Agricultural College, 1918-1919

5. Accepted position to organize department of physical education at Gingling College, Nanking, China, but after engaging steamship passage had to abandon plans because of serious illness from flu epidemic, 1919-1920.
6. Director of Physical Education for Women, Beloit College, 1920-1924.

7. Director of Physical Education for Women, University of Nebraska, 1924-1952.

8. President of Midwest Association of Physical Education for College Women, 1925-1927. (This organization is now two organizations-Midwest and Central)
*9. President of National Association of Physical Education for College Women, 1926-1927.
10. Chosen to speak for and represent women's physical education at Third Race Betterment Conference, an international conference at Battle Creek, Jan.,1928.
*11. President of Midwest Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation 1928-1930. (Now divided into two associations, the Midwest and Central)
**12. President of American Physical Education Association, 1931 and 1932. The first woman to be elected to that office after 45 years of men presidents. (This association is now called the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation).
13. Member of President Hoover's White House Conference on Child Health and Protection, 1930.
*14. Recipient of Honor Award of AAHPER, 1933.

**15. Member of Board of Director's of Women's Division of National Amateur Athletic Federation, serving under Chairmanship of Mrs. Herbert Hoover, 1933-1940.
**16. Honorary doctor's degree (LL.D) conferred by Coe College, 1939. (Second woman in profession to receive honorary doctor's degree.)
**17. President of American Academy of Physical Education, 1940. (First woman to be elected to that office. Was Academy's third president.)
*18. Regional Director of Division of Physical Fitness for the 7th Army Service Command under the Office of Civilian Defense, 1941-43. (One of 5 women from the profession so appointed by LaGuardia.)
**19. Member of the Chief of Staff's National Civilian Advisory Committee for the Woman's Army Corps, 1944-46. (Served under Generals Marshall, Eisenhower and Bradley.)
20. Chairman of National Committee to aid service women trained in our field to find positions on return to civilian life, 1945-47.
**21. Recipient of Gulick Award, 1948. (Fourth woman in our field to receive this award).
22. Member of Board of Associate Editors of JOURNAL OF HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION 1947-1949.
23. Author of two books and 27 magazine articles, several of which have been reprinted in other magazines representing 45 publications in periodicals. (All on professional topics.)
24. Have appeared on programs speaking on physical education topics in 50 cities in 25 states, repeating in several cities many times through the years.
25. Listed in WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA and ten other biographical directories.

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Bronx (56) N.Y.
June 18 - 52.

Dear Md. Bethune:

I'm writing to say I hope you are well and happy. I went to the Hotel to see you when I learned you was to be in the City saturday you was not registered there so there was no way for me to get in toutch with you aside from going to the Golden Gate

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and I couldnt go as I'm having dental work done. So the next step is to write. I have my house hold funiture which has bin stored there and I would like for the school to have it. If you would like to have it for the school or to sell for the benifit of the school let me know at once so I can get it attended to, the things are in good condision as they have not bin used since I used them my self. Hoping the best of every thing you + your work.

Allways your Friend,
Eva. (Anderson Adams.)

Eva D. Hardy
659 E. 165 st
Bronx (56) N. Y.

23 June 1952

Mrs. Eva D. Hardy
659 E. 165th Street
Bronx 56, New York

My dear Mrs. Hardy:

It is very lovely of you to write me. I am very sorry that I did not get a chance to see you while in New York.

My visit to New York this time was a very exciting and interesting one. My visit to Englewood was very historic.

We shall be very grateful and most happy to have your furniture for the College. We are now in the process of setting up cottages for our teachers and students. I will appreciate it very much for you to give us the chance to get the furniture, in that it will prove very beneficial for this purpose.

I will get in touch with the President of our College and we will plan just how to use it.

Our Summer School has just opened with about 500 students enrolled.

Please know how grateful we are for all of your thoughts that may turn to Bethune-Cookman College. Our President, Richard V. Moore will be very appreciative, as well as I, for anything you do for our College.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/bmh

cc. President Richard V. Moore
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

LEGAL OPINION

TO: Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
and
President Richard V. Moore

A detail and exhaustive research of Florida Law relative to the establishment of a Banking Institution at Bethune-Cookman College reveals the following, to wit:

1. That the Charter under which Bethune-Cookman College is legally authorized to operate is a non-profit Charter and in no wise providing coverage for the type of institution here intended.

2. That a separate and distinct corporation for profit will have to be organized allowing the realization and disbursement of profits, if declared, to individual shareholders. Authorization and approval of this type of corporation is only secured by filing a copy of the Charter with the Secretary of State and Comptroller and receiving from the latter a certificate of approval.

3. There are four kinds of financial institutions either of which can be created under the Laws of Florida, to wit: Banks, Saving Banks, Trust Companies, Morris Plan Banks and Credit Unions.

(a) Credit Union is a cooperative society incorporated for two-fold purpose of promoting thrift among its members and creating a source of credit at legitimate rates of interest for provident purposes.

4. Either of the foregoing classification of organizations can commence business with a capital of no less than $50,000.00 except the credit unions.

5. Corporations for carrying on the business of banking may be formed by any number of persons not less than five except as to the creation of Credit Unions in which case at least seven persons are necessary. It is suggested that these persons reside in the State of Florida.

6. It is my opion that sincere thought should be given preferably to the creation of a Savings Bank or a Credit Union at this stage of develop-

ment and within a relatively short space of time extend operation to entail a general banking business. The reason for not suggesting the creation of a general banking business is that skilled personnel in banking is required, as well as the time and thought to be given thereto.

Above, I have legally outlined the things upon which we dealt at our initial meeting without going into legal mechanics. If further amplication is necessary on any or all of the aforementioned, notify me.

Respectfully submitted,

H E Hill

H. E. Hill

July 28th 19 52

DATE:	SERVICES PERFORMED:	MEMO:
July 1, 1952	Conference at home of Dr. Bethune	
July 4, 1952	Research on Banking Institutions	
July 16, 1952	Research on Banking Institutions	
July 28, 1952	Drafting of Legal Opinion	

TOTAL FEES FOR ABOVE SERVICES: $ 50.00

Cost advanced by me in connection with above services as evidenced by receipts attached hereto and made a part of this statement:

DATE:	ITEM:	COST INVOLVED:

TOTAL COSTS ADVANCED: $ none

TOTAL FEES: $ 50.00

Respectfully submitted:

H E Hill

H. E. Hill

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RICHARD W. ERVIN
ATTORNEY GENERAL

OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL
STATE OF FLORIDA
TALLAHASSEE

May 31, 1954

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
631 Pearl Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Bethune:

I have requested Dr. Richard V. Moore, President of Bethune-Cookman College to arrange a conference for Friday evening, June 4, at 7:30 in his office for the purpose of discussing the recent Supreme Court ruling abolishing segregation in the public schools.

Mr. Richard Ervin, Attorney General of Florida, has assigned to me the primary responsibility for preparing a brief to be filed in the U. S. Supreme Court by October 1st in response to the invitation of the Court for the states to file amicus curiae briefs on questions 4 and 5 which were not resolved in the decision. These questions relate to the time and method in which the Court's decree are to be carried out.

Mr. Ervin feels that a conference with you, Dr. Moore and a limited number of your faculty and trustees would be most helpful to us in the preparation of the brief.

I will therefore appreciate your attending the conference next Friday if possible.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Ervin
Attorney General

By Ralph E. Odum
Ralph E. Odum
Assistant Attorney General

REO/lw

cc: Dr. Richard V. Moore
President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

General Correspondence (Incoming) U

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Barber Scotia
Jr. College -
Concord, N.C. 4-8

Dear Mrs Bethune; -
just a short
a message to let
you know my
pleasant stay
at Daytona is
not forgotten.
I think of each of
you very, very often.

I did have such a busy time on my way here— stopped in Jacksonville and Greenville S.C. I saw your friend Mrs Lee, she was rather busy and had retired— but she did see me, then I saw her at Church, did not get to speak

to her. I am sure you are busy getting your Commencement in line— We too are nearing the end, time goes so fast. I am very sorry, Dean Cozart could not accept your invitation to give your school address, Schools are closing close together— I wanted so much for him to see your school,

We are to have the
Pres. of the N.Y. Scotia
Chapter to give the
Banquet address,
at Commencement,
You know her,—
Mrs Julia Hughes
Coleman,— I hope
You will take good
Care of yourself.
Come to see us when
You can, Wishing
you success,—

Yours Sincerely
C. A. Percival.

Summer

Dear Mrs. Bethune —

Just a note to acknowledge our birthday letters and to enclose our joint contribution. May your school be more and more successful as your birthday club grows.

Sincerely,

Helen & Charles Bryant

47 East 65th Street
New York

Done

Bethune
Invitation

Mrs. James Roosevelt will be glad to have you attend a meeting at her house on Wednesday afternoon, December 16th at 3:30, in the interest of the Bethune-Cookman School for Negroes at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Bethune will tell about the school, and five excellent singers will sing a few Negro songs. Tea will be served from 4:30 to 5.

Mrs. Bethune and the Advisory Committee would be very grateful for any donations.

December the eleventh.

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The Notch Mountain House
HUNTER, NEW YORK
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MR. & MRS. E. NATHAN WHILES
PROPRIETORS

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

I sincerely hope that the amount which you and your workers are striving to raise in order to maintain your college, will be realized.

Enclosed you will find $5.00 for the cause.

You have my sincerest wishes for much success with the work for your school.

Sincerely yours.

(Mrs.) E. N. Whiles

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Fla.

Dear Friends,

Enclosed is a check for $100 from the Missionary Committee of Tourist Church and we hope you may find use for it in your very worthy work.

Sincerely
(Mrs) Essie Lee Jones, Chairman

950 HOLLINGSWORTH AVENUE
LAKELAND, FLORIDA

Gen Cor
Ans

Dear Mrs Bethune:

Mrs Clapp and I listened in to the Spirituals this morning as we usually do on Sunday and were so delighted to hear your voice and message. We especially appreciated your endorsement of the M.R.A. The service refreshed our memories of some of the good old days in Atlanta.

We are now making our winter home in Lakeland. We may get to Daytona Beach before the winter passes and would be pleased to call at the school.

I have been flat in bed for six weeks with a heart attack and am just getting about again. It will be some time before I can drive the auto.

After the broadcast this morning both Mrs C. and I said it would be fine to send Mrs. Bethune a gift for the work. So here it is. Very small but it carries our hearty good wishes for the grand work you are doing.

Mrs. Clapp joins me in sending most cordial greetings.

Sincerely yours

Franklin H. Clapp

December Third.

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Student
"O"

we do
not take
small
children

Madam Bethune
Putnam School
Daytona, Fla.

Dear Madam:

I have three children one five, one seven and one nine, am alone, and work out- and can not care for them, and have no one to leave them with. Could you take them? if so- what would you charge? If you cant- do you know

PAGE(S) MISSING IN ORIGINAL

R, 2 Box 36 Maitland
Mrs. Bethune

Dear Madam & co-worker if you can arrange to get a boy (orphan) Age 13 yrs or 12 please do me the favor and kindness to let me have one at an early date. I am a married woman living with my husband owning 40 Acres, land, 8 in Grove Seven miles from Orlando 3 from Hungerford School And am a teacher myself. I am one of the Simmons girl of Apopka

R. S. V. P. C. H. A. Lio

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

MRS. JOHN G. VANNESS
97 NORTH EAST 60TH STREET
MIAMI, FLORIDA

My Dear Mrs. Bethune;-

I want a little information on the subject of Negro Spirituals, for a young friend who has that subject for her essay on graduation day. If Henry were not so fearfully busy, I would write to him for information. I thot one of your teachers could give me something helpful and authoritative. Please ask some one and send results to me as soon as possible. If there is a book, send that, and I will send you the postage.

Wishing you a fine Commencement and assuring you of our continued interest in your work, I am

Yours Lovingly

Regina B. Van Ness.

Dear President Bethune:

I am enclosing my correspondence to date with the Civil Service Commission and the office of the Department of Finance, located in Chicago. It occured to me, after writing the enclosed letter, that I should wait until the matter cleared and allow you to advise me..... That you just might feel that I should go ahead and take the Civil Service job.

So here is the situation to date.

There seems to be some danger of discrimination, according to a newspaper article appearing in last week's COURIER. However, I know one colored man in that Office and I feel with the political sponsor which I have that there would be no grave danger of mishap to me.

So if you think the Chicago venture adviseable let me know immediately. If you wish me to stay on here and give you time for further meditation, no reply or acknowledgement is necessary; your silence will tell me to wait until you come home again, at which time I hope we may go more definitely into the matter of the business situation here.

All good wishes,

November 29

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Mrs. President Bethune ,
Brthune Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune ;

As per pledge , made in May last , find inclose my personal check for $8.00 to cover the Bal. of the pledge of $10.oo , $2.oo of which was paid that day.

With every good wish for your continued welbeing and the on going of the school.

Very cordially yours,

D. D. Turpeau

102 Prospect Street
Providence

My dear Mrs. Bethune—

Here is a drop for your bucket. I wish it was a full bucket — but there are eight other similar (though less modest) these that I hope to answer tonight.

With pleasant remembrance of your visit & best wishes to you & the College — I am Yours sincerely

(Mrs. H.A.) Alida E. S. Whitmarsh

"DUNETOP"
ORMOND BEACH
FLORIDA

Gen. Dony

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Since our conversation this afternoon, I've wondered how you can get along without the laundry. So the little girl and I are sending you a check for five hundred dollars. We do not wish any publicity about this gift.

The other matters, I will take to Him in prayer.

May you find continuous strength and courage thro Him!

Sincerely

Annie L. Cannon

General Donations

Nov. 9th

Mt Kisco

Dear Mrs. Bethune

In November last year I sent you a check for one hundred dollars. I am very glad to be able to send you the same amount this year.

Very sincerely

Anne Pierrepont [illegible]

Mr. Simpson

Thanks + tell we will accept, etc

ac

Donor

Books

1726 Brackland St.
Jacksonville Fla.

Mrs. Bethune;

Dear Mrs. Bethune: I am a retired member of the Northwest Indiana Conference. I am enjoying a pastorate as supply, of a newly organized Church in this city.

I have a library of 1000 volumes or more. Circumstances have arisen which makes it uncertain as to the tenure of the rented house in which I am living.

For some time I have been considering the disposition which

I should make of my books.

I am now 72 years of age. I have [redacted] thought that possibly your Institute might be willing to accept the Library. The books are in the guise of intimate friends to me. I would find it a joy to think of them as remaining together in a section of your School's Library.

I have not reached a final decision. Circumstances, as they may arise, within the next few weeks, will influence the decision.

If I Know your general reaction to my proposal it will help me in guiding my judgment as circumstances arise.

I would wish to reserve for my own use possibly half of the Library, and at my death or the death of my wife, if I should die first, the rest of the Library would be the property of the Institute.

One remote contingency might affect the disposition of the books remaining in my home. My son, now 33 years of age, who is in business, has been in my thought. If he should enter the ministry in my life time or in the life time of my wife, I would want him to have the privilege of taking all or as many of the books in my home as he desired.

If this occurred the books in the possession of the Institute ~~could~~ might be disposed of freely as the ones responsible considered best. Otherwise it would be understood that the entire library eventually would be kept together as one section of books.

Please write me your reaction. I am sincere, but am under no obligations. Likewise your ~~answer~~ answer will be received as tentative.

S. A. Bender

August 20th

1314 Chapline St, Wheeling W Va

My dear Mrs Bethune, I thought that I had made it clear that I gave no pledge to the Maintenance Fund to the young woman who called on me - I gave a donation of $10.00 to the College, but no pledge - Wishing you all success & sorry that I can make no pledge - I am

Cordially Yours

Anne M Cummins,

~~Dear~~ Mary Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach - Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune -

Enclosed find draft for one hundred dollars - use as you think best -

Best wishes for a very successful year -

Cordially Yours
Miss Geneva J Campbell
Winterset Iowa.

General
Donates

Dorn

Atlantic Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune.

The history of Bethune Cookman College is most interesting - of course we've heard much of it largely because of you, and your many contributions to the world.

Someday I trust all Methodisms will be one - but as yet you know we are not.

The section that I represent - or at least the section of that in which I have this official capacity - (my official stationery is exhausted and more has been ordered) Christian

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cholarship for $100 - and

Social Relations of W.M.
S. of State of M.E. Church
South.
We make our budget
at conference in Spring
and of course no provision
is made for cases after
that.
As you well know we
can only contribute money
to our own institutions.
We are not allowed to
collect money for any
purpose when we go
to meetings unless it
is for those particular
places.
We do quite a little
interracial work - I wish

we think we have the candidate selected - I could not do that for your school for reason's I've given.

If it were in my power I'd do something for Bethune Cookman. We think it fine and deserving. We certainly can speak a good word - and pray.

Prof. Sykes (I afterward found his address) gave us a wonderful program - and it was well received. Mrs. Bowman (our retiring Pres.) was anxious to make them a money contrubution as we had a teeny bit available - but I dont know if the were able to do so or not - but again we thank them - it was a great contribution and certainly it helped to change race attitudes.

Sincerely - Mrs. C. C. McCallum.

MRS. F. W. FORBES
12 HIGH STREET
WESTBORO, MASS.

Donation

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My dear Mrs. Bethune,

Enclosed please find my check for Bethune College

Sincerely

Fannie E. Forbes.

March 6.

Done

The Alabama
Winter Park
Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune.

I regret that your letter of Feb. 12 has had to wait so long for an answer. I was in New York when it arrived, preparing to come to Winter Park, but was delayed because my Aunt Frances is ill, and I went frequently to & from Brooklyn. She is not able to travel, thus neither of my aunts will be here this season. I did however finally reach the Alabama, as you see, later than usual, and now having rested somewhat, am beginning to take up my neglected correspondence.

I enclose my check for 500.00 as I have been in the habit of sending you in the spring.

I see your Singers are coming here on the 28th, and as Miss Hunter & I hope to be still here at that time, we may enjoy having the opportunity of hearing them.

Best greetings and wishes -

Yours sincerely

Elisabeth W. Frothingham

June 19-

WILSON PARK
TARRYTOWN, NEW YORK

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

No, I am not cross with you. as you will see by the enclosed check for $300.00 This will cover any contribution later in the year, - I am glad I am able to do it now. Always my best wishes Yours sincerely

E. W. Frothingham

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529 WEST CHURCH STREET

ORLANDO, FLORIDA.

Dorcas

My Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I trust that you are well and enjoying life. I have no right to complain although my condition could be better and yet there is a possibility of it being worse.

You will find enclosed one dollar. 1$ to help you recover the matresses. I wish that I was able to give you more.

Yours Respectfully
Lawrence Parrish

December 7th.

Donor

435 SOUTH STREET
PITTSFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS

Dear Mrs. Bethune—

Here is

$5.50 more.
$5 extra from
Dr. Mary Anna Wood
Pomeroy Ave.
50 cents from Anne Benton.
Merry Christmas to you.
Most sincerely
Elizabeth P. Paddock.

Donor

MRS. MORTON C. PEARSON
1432 Glynn Court
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Bethune Cookman College:—

It is with great pleasure that I remember my visits to your College and because I have not been in Daytona for the last three years I am not aware of how you are getting on. I do hope you will have a good year. I am sending you my little remembrance — wish it could be much more — and wishing for you a very Happy Xmas & a prosperous New Year.

Yours
Mrs Morton C Pearson.

GWA [illegible]

Dear Mrs Bethune

Enclosed is my birthday dollar, I am so sorry it has been so long - but the dollars are not real plenty - but I am very glad to send it -

Sincerely

Mrs Charles Atwood

Watertown, Conn -

Address
Wilson Park
Tarrytown

April 3rd

~~Carlton Hotel~~
~~WASHINGTON~~

(apologies for the mistake of my amanuensis.)

Dear Miss Bethune

I enclose the check which I trust will reach you within the promised fortnight— the same amount as was sent you last year in April and which covers my contribution for the whole year. ($500.00)

Pardon brevity, I am quite sick with a sore throat.

Yours sincerely
Elizabeth M. Frothingham

Address
Wilson Park
Tarrytown
N. Y.

MRS. HENRY A. WHITMARSH
102 PROSPECT STREET
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Oct. 21

Dear Mrs. Bethune—

Your letter was received and read with much interest. My delay in answering was due partly to a wish to see Mrs. Fillebrown before writing and partly to a bewildering accumulation of letters, and demands of all kinds, incident upon our own return after a summer's absence.

Indeed your letter has disappeared with some others which I had put aside to save them from the scrap basket! Ah! A sudden thought struck me, & I turned to a basket right beside me, & here is your letter!

Mrs. Fellebrown has returned, but goes almost immediately to Washington, so can offer no assistance, but I am intrigued with your plan of bringing your quartette (or quintette) north, & I want to help. December is a very busy month. If it must be then, make the Providence date as early in the month as possible. My birthday (77th) comes on Saturday - Nov. 28 How would it be to have a party here on that day? I can seat quite a few people, & hope I could have

MRS. HENRY A. WHITMARSH
102 PROSPECT STREET
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

help you to make some new friends. What is your desire? To get immediate money from the meeting - or to have subscription cards passed around? You would wish to stay in Providence over night of course. We should like to have you as our guest, & could probably find good place or places for the quintette. Let me hear from you soon about the date as it is none too early for me to get my people to work.

Sincerely yours
Alida E. S. Whitmarsh

3605 Bay Shore Blvd
Tampa Fla
Sept. 22.

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Fla,

Dear Madam:

I am writing in interest of Elizabeth Walker who has recently entered your school, asking you to try to secure help for her expenses from the N.Y.A. Her mother has been a poor struggling widow with three children for many years doing her best for them in an educational way and deserves all the help available

e ago and how much
njoyed and appreciated them
sorry to say that was my first
wledge of your splendid
k and school.
pleased to know that Elizabeth
have the privilege of going
uch an institution, and
appreciate all you can
for her.

Most sincerely
Mrs O.K. Reaves

She has been a most faithfu
servant for me for more
than 12 years never failin
me once as a laundress
and a maid part time.
I do not know so much
about Elizabeth but I trust
she will prove as worthy as
her mother and all money
and time spent in her will
be a good investment in
building a life, a good Christia
citizen.
I remember a group of
musicians from your school
giving a program at our
Church (First Baptist) some

Josie Roberts

Baltimore House Hotel,
1438- Lombard St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

President Mary McLeod Bethune,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear, dear friend:- Well here we are together again with my Boys! We are keeping quite busy singing at 8 churches yesterday and before the Ministerial Alliance today.

Mr. Armitage intimated that we would have work around here for a month or more. He has just left here; he came over to get us straightened out about our finance, cheque for which will be sent us from N. Y. tomorrow. He gave us funds to go upon until its arrival.

My Men are in fine condition and spirits and I think we are going to accomplish much for the cause.

One Mr. John C. Bieri, pastor of the Columbia Ave. Ch. here where we sang yesterday, is greatly interested in us. Mr. Armitage informed me that he and wife are anticipating a trip to Fla. soon, and told me to say to you if he goes to Daytona, which he had urged him

(over)

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
AUG

ng.
I had a fine trip here
nd will keep you posted
s to our movements.
Love to everybody. The
Boys join me. Greatest
wishes for your continued
uccess and happiness.
Feel assured we are
going to do Our Best.
I remain,
Lovingly yours—
Joe.

to do, nurse him as he's w
has money and their trip
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aunt, who also !
Nuf sed!
You remember the
Alexander in Chica
whom I wrote you con
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heard from you any
when I made it my s
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here in Philadelphi
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experience with it
Well I shall not
out" further, for I kn
already "Lovey" is cur
me out for this terribl

Student

President Bethune:

Will you please be kind enough to grant me permission to Continue to live with Mrs Rosa Sims 310 Weaver Street? My parents have been knowing her for many years therefore she is kind enough to let me stay there and is not Charging me anything.

I would like very much to live on the Campus, but my parents are not able to pay the finance. My father has been ill for nearly a year, but improving very much. My Mother And Sister is trying to help me the best they Can! please Consider my Condition.

Respectfully Yours.
Chequitka Rosa Ferguson.

Student

927 - 5th Street
West Palm Beach
Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am very much interested in your school and the climate.

I would like to take up the course in business.

Will you kindly write and tell me wether or not you give a nine months course, or send me a booklet.

Sincerely,

Holmes Attleigh.

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Dear Mary:

Enclosed please find 10^{00} as per your request. Hope that you'll have your full quota by 15th of May as is your hoped plan.

Mr. D. will have everything on your order by 28th as set for his group.

Kindly,

Addie

Donor

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Office of the President,
John W. Johnson

November 23rd

Bethuna-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs Bethune:

In reply to your recent note from New York asking for funds will say Mr Johnson is enclosing draft for one hundred dollars. Jokingly he said not to send money to New York as you may get extravagant.

I remain
Yours Truly
E. S. McCallum, Sec'y to
John W. Johnson

Memorial Day:-

MRS. HARLEY E. JONES
93 CROFUT STREET
PITTSFIELD, MASS.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

Mrs. Colt sent the enclosed check to me recently, and I hasten to send it to you, as I know it will be very welcome just at this time. She is so generous and interested in any good work.

Thank you for the list of kitchen equipment needed. Mrs. Paddock is very brave but sad, and we are all feeling Dr. Paddock's loss very keenly.

Very sincerely.

Libbie H. Jones.

646 MOREWOOD AVENUE
PITTSBURGH
PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Mrs. Bethune

Enclosed is my contribution to Bethune-Cookman College, and my best wishes for its continued progress –

Very sincerely
Amy H. Du Puy

May thirteenth 1935 –

36.13½
$72.26

to une-Cookman

Done

2nd year payment of birthday money
by Peninsula Reading Circle

Miss Pickett Pres.
Mrs. Charles Willson Sec.

Mrs. Maurice Monroe
31 S. Hollywood Ave
Daytona Beach, Fla

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

Quinta Querida
1541 Lombardy Road
Pasadena, California

My dear Miss Bethune,

I was glad to get your letter and meant to write before. Last year the $\$100^{\underline{00}}$ was a special gift, – one that I could not continue because most of the money I give to this sort of work must necessarily go to the American

Donor

QUINTA QUERIDA
1541 LOMBARDY ROAD
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

The Office of the President
Bethune - Cookman College,

Dear Madam,

To-night I had the privilege of meeting Mrs Bethune, and told her I would send you a check for $100.00 for the College. I forgot to ask your name so

pardon my awkward way
of addressing you.

Sincerely
Margaret Fleming
(Mrs Thos. Fleming Jr)

May 4

26 E. 63d St.
N.Y.C. –
Nov. 17 –

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

Last night I heard Roland Hayes sing at Carnegie, & I was carried back to the wonderful night when he sang in your auditorium, and to-day I felt that I *must* send you a

small "bit" for the
students" fund for
this year — I have
not forgotten you,
but I have not known
what to do about so
many situations at
hand,— that I have
not felt free to send
you a contribution —
So, you may thank

Mr. Hayes for making me feel that I must not delay sending you a note —

My sister, Mrs. White, is driving to Daytona, but I have no plans to go – However, if we should have an opportunity to dispose of our home, I should

have to make this trip -
Meanwhile I have been
in so much better
health here, that it is
a good place for me to
stay - With best wishes for
you and the volume

Sincerely yours
Mary E. Davidson

Jones

Dear Mrs. Bethune -

The women's association of Tourist Church wish to thank the students of Bethune-Cookman College for the help which they gave in the recent pageant. Their presentation was outstanding and was greatly appreciated.

The music was beautifully rendered and was most -

appropriate

The women are planning to send $25.- as soon as we have our next meeting.

Most Sincerely
Armeda Pearson
corresponding sec.

Seabreeze Sta
Daytona Beach Fla.
March 18 - '37

Howard

350 EAST 57TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY
TEL. WI-2-5427

Dear Mrs. Bethune

Your letter came yesterday and I hasten to reply that I expect to be near Charleston from Feb. 21st to some time during the first week in March. Therefore I will try to be with you for one day during the second week on my way to Palm Beach.

Enclosed is my check for my scholarship.

You will see the date for the Trustee's meeting has been settled & that is the date I want to know.

My last remaining unmarried child is to be married in Savannah on Feb. 16th & so I am going down for the great event.

Very sincerely yours
Anna Pierpont [illegible]

Donor / Birthday Club.

337 North Ave.
New Rochelle
New York -

My dear Mrs. Bethune -

Your reminder that I am a member of the Bethune - Cookman Birthday Club was gratefully received and I am glad to respond with the enclosed check for two dollars -

We expect to be in Daytona Beach again this winter and shall hope to visit the school many times and to keep in

touch with its
good work.

My greetings to
Mrs. Ranslow when
you see her.

Sincerely yours
Grace A. Noyes.
(Mrs. Edward M.)

Oct. 25, 1936.

Address-
Wilson Park
Tarrytown.

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Winter Park
Florida
March 23.

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

Thank you for your letter of the 16th forwarded to me here & therefore only recently received. I reply without waiting to enclose my check; which in fact I shall not be able to send you at once. In about two weeks however I shall doubtless be able to do so. It will be for $250. or for $500. If the latter, it will cover my contribution for the year. I arrived w Winter Park town Club for your Concert here. I hope it brought good result financially. I am sure it was otherwise successful.

I leave on the 26th for Washington where my address is uncertain, my length of stay also undecided — therefore my address is Tarrytown,

I trust you are pretty well.

Sincerely yours

E. W. Frothingham.

Thanksgiving Day.

WILSON PARK
TARRYTOWN, NEW YORK

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

First I thank you for your letter of October 8th with its account of your needs & accomplishments. Also of the honors & the recognition that have come to you, and for which I congratulate you heartily.

Then recently came yours of November 13. It reached my house at a time when one of my household had just sustained a serious injury from a fall, and I did not look at my mail for two days, which covered the

date of your stay in New York -
I talked with my cousin a few days later about you (as I had also done earlier in the month) & she explained to me that your current expenses were suffering on account of the death of a large contributor - Thanksgiving Day was already on my mental memorandum for the enclosed checks, made out, as you see, $50. for the school, & $25. for your own personal needs, - I trust your invalid throat

must be expensive! These two small amounts are merely drops in your bucket, but such as they are, I send them -

Always cordial greetings & remembrance -

Elizabeth W. Frothingham

I have been considerably out of health this Fall, otherwise I would have written you sooner -

Mrs. Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida,

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I had the pleasure of hearing your singers and yourself at Chautauqua this summer.

I am wondering if I could trouble you to give me the name and the publisher of the song your quintet sang at the Disciple Banquet - all I can remember of the words are "I know a city called Heaven - I'me started to make it my home".

I am anxious to have our A Cappella Choir have it.

Thank you very much and with best wishes for your continued success, I am

Very truly yours,

Jennie A. T. Riggs
Jennie A. T. Riggs

J/

Wellsville Public Schools
Office of the Supt.
Wellsville, New York.

20 Lantana Terrace
Daytona Beach, Florida

Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune- cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

The enclosed check for $1.00 is our tiny contribution in response to your letter. I wish with all my heart it were $100. instead, for we are earnestly in sympathy with your work and would be glad to support it generously if we were able, but with so many ways to give our money where there is need , each separate gift must be small.

Wishing you continuing success in your work I am,

Yours very truly,

Edward M Noyes

Edward M. Noyes.

Derwen

My dear Mr. Bethune,

Can I infringe on your time to ask you a question and a favour? I'm making a Birthday book of the people I am interested in and would very much like to have your birthday and birth-place, the year is not important, although very nice to have it.

A friend of mine who was in Dartmouth this winter visited the college several times and has told me

much about it and you
of course. It must be
a Wonderful school.

Please pardon my sending
these few stamps, - I know
You can use them. I
would like to send a real
Contribution, Am interested
in Hampton & Tuskegee and
help a little there.

With my very best wishes
Yours most sincerely.
(Mrs) Jessie G. Bridgman
Woodstown.
N.J.

Don

Mountain Lake Club
Lake Wales Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune

Some one called me by phone in Newark. We were only in the house for a day or two - so it was fortunate that I received the call. We - who do so truly admire you - are most heartily glad that you are still able to carry on your work - It is hard to be straightened as to funds but - God is

still God and knows
the End from the beginning
and you have many
crowns to lay at the foot
of the Throne - no buried
talent to honor Him -

Our love goes with the
check -

Ever sincerely your
friend

Elizabeth P. Ballantine

Mrs. Percy Ballantine

Donor

Send letter gratitude

ROBERTA BURGESS - 5718 DORCHESTER AVENUE - CHICAGO - ILLINOIS

This is a small give toward the Endowment Fund prompted by my meeting with Gertrude Brown.

I am sorry I cannot give more, and hope that the few introductions I was able to give her may result in something bigger. $10.00

Roberta Burgess

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Orlando Fla.

Madam Bethune; -

I sent my daughter Lula Demps a letter Feb. 14th with $8.00 in it. also sent another one Sun. Feb. 17th with $5.00 in it. I had a letter this Mourning asking me why I dont write her. Please attend to this Matter with the one who carry and place the mail back and forth to the school. I have sent it to her before this way. This is the first time she fail to get a letter or money. Please attend to this that was money I sent her for books

I Well thank you so much, Let me hear from you at once

Mrs Hatabel Dlemp
311 South Bryan St.

THE ROBERT E. BROWNS
OLDS HALL
340 SOUTH RIDGEWOOD AVENUE
DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

From Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Brown,
with prayers & best wishes for
your great school and for
the complete success of your
campaign.

During the turbulent age, private law unenhanced by the (BLC, the new [illegible] age) [illegible] struggling to succeed.

[illegible]

615 South Virgil ~~Avenue~~
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LOS ANGELES

Apr. 13

Dear Friend:-

How we wish we were able to help on your endowment. Investments have failed - and appeals are greatly multiplied - Relatives are without work and suffer for necessities. All our friends seem to be in great need.

Here is $1. to use on postage

Success to you

Dillon Bronson

- Mrs Pauline.

Do not reply

450 Hempstead Ave
Hempstead N.Y.

Donor
Fundraising

Mary M. Bethune
Daytona Beach
Florida.

Dear Miss Bethune.

Thank you so much for the greetings and kind wishes for my birthday. Sorry my little check is so late but have been away & your letter was overlooked. Wish it were a hundred times as large. With best wishes for the success of your work there –

Sincerely yours
(Mrs [illegible]) Hattie A. DuBois

Dist. To

Mrs. George W. Andrews: —

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE ARCHIVES

I am writing you as I am contemplating study at Oberlin College in September.

I was the protege of the organ at Talladega when your uncle Dr. Geo. W. Andrews and wife were at Talladega, my alma mater.

It was while you were visiting there that you advised my furthering studies at Oberlin.

I am studying towards my Bachelor degree in Music and I have sent for application to enter there. Please lend all in influence to help me get in there for the fall term. I have been given a scholarship under the Julius Rosenwald Fund.

Remember me very tenderly to your uncle, our beloved Dr. Geo. W. Andrews.

With best regards to your family, I remain

Respectfully yours
Josie W. Roberts.

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Gentlemen,

It is our custom to give to the teachers in this vicinity a sample of our "Scholastic" school supply items.

Would you please furnish me with a list of the teachers names of the Bethune Cookman College.

Your kindness will be greatly appreciated

Respectfully yours,
Myrtis Bennett
S. H. Kress.

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223 SOUTH BREVARD STREET

CHARLOTTE, N. C.,

Done

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach,Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I count it a great privelege to be identified as a member of the Birthday Club of Bethune-Cookman College.

I appreciate the greetings and I am enclosing a birth day offering.

Sincerely yours,

J. R. Hemphill

Dear Mrs. Bethune,

Let me beg you know, Allan David M. Much to my regret I passed, driving people through your Florida last Feb. and March, and did fail to see you and your commendable monument.

My home is near St. Louis; I missed you Sunday May 2, so I appear a bit slothful at accepting opportunities—I hope I'm not. I regret not to have met you tho'. Will you accept me in this manner? I chose to tell some of the world my sentiments on Mother and you could not be omitted, Mrs. Bethune, for I'm needing some to encourage and say there's worth to some of my endeavor at least. I've several poems on Mother; this ackward manner of distribution is very bothersome; pardon my writing!

I only hope someone
Might note good upon
A page I wrote; and then
Invoke a nobler plan,
In scope of whose great span,
There's quote, the utterance
My pen wrote, adherent
To the tho't perchance,
My soul, invents.

Yours truly
A. David Mahr Jr.

Of your sweet soft smile.
Your dark eyes induced by it,
With its light infused a-lit.
Could I but stamp the mixture,
Of all the love that dwelt,
Upon your glowing countenance:
Understanding unmasked, simplicity held;
Loving kindness all in smiling-semblance-
I would call that fixture
My "Mother's Living Love"
The image-face, whose smile
Naught could rob me of.
Sadly 'nough my painting's ne'er been wrought.
I feign would but the hand lacking, can not,
Spread forth on canvas, the colors,
I wanting sought.
So I'll implore this wistful tho't:
"Dear God give me the blend,
In word and song, in deeds and pen
To mould a lovely face,
That could not be erased".
Could I portray a picture
Of noble traits worthwhile,
That might be a wanted fixture,
To place in a gallery-aisle,
God had lent me some of the nectar,
Revealed in my mother's smile.

Allan David Mahr Jr.

Mrs. Bethune! You portray nobleness; your mother's blest and proudly rests!

And beg to commune with thee!
So many times, I've a question,
So often feign would hear
you speak.
Would it please you to answer,
If perchance you my notes
did receive?
Oft times when guarded
from danger,
'Tis response from you
I believe.
My little letters to Heaven,
Are answer'd very car'fully,
Mother guardian-angel
o'mine, o'earth,
There also holds the same
noble worth.
Hearing each want, and confession,
Then bravely plea, responsive
blessings,
My letters beseech.
(To my mother and
Yours and others - I hope
you share the invoking
idea.)
Allan David M. Jr.

O f our living world,
The manner-complex of his nature,
H astens thinking to whirl;
E ver revealing unveiling a-new,
R eason, to perplex and blur the view.

G iven his inheritance is all the Earth,
L ove! - in mothers - secure as is God's
O wn pledge "even unto the end" for "better" or "worse"
R ight calls fast they, wrong fells her to sobs;
Y et be the summons what it may
'S her there to her young on the storming day.

A ll that we are, mother's the beacon star,
N ever we were, more than her.
G uardians of heaven, heralded destiny of man,
E ndless your worth, angels on Earth;
L iken'd to them, ye mothers do stand.
S isters of God - Giver of Birth.

H ail! Heritage of man, blessings on thee
E very heart beating sings, sincerety,
G iving timely applause of one
A ccord! Hearken all ye nation
"V erily I say unto you".
E very mother's a monument true.
Allan D. Mahr Jr.
For American mother, 1937.

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My dear Dr. Bethune -

May I congratulate you not only on Bethune-Cookman College but on the lovely personal side of the undertaking.

I used the Readers Digest story in my class at Geneva School of Missions - telling them a bit of you and the college, - they were proud and delighted so I pass the experience on to you who richly deserves the credit.

May I enclose a little check for the college - I wish I could make it larger - but it is quite impossible since my dear editor husband went Home to Heaven. With all good wishes

Yours. Stella W. Brummitt

Signed

Dear Friend:

We are sending you herewith a petition expressing the sentiment of the undersigned against the Government's investigation of NEW MASSES. In common with other Americans, we feel it necessary to sound the alarm over the intentions and implications of the Government's action. We send it to you, as a friend of democracy, as an upholder of the Bill of Rights. Our common feeling is perhaps best expressed by a recent statement from Henry Epstein, Solicitor General of New York State, as published in NEW MASSES for February 13th:

> "With much of what you write and publish I do not agree. There are times when I condemn your point of view. Sometimes I quote what you write. But whether your expression or viewpoint please me or not, civil rights and civil liberty would be dead did you not have the right to say what you believe."

We ask that you join your signature to our own.

Sincerely yours,

Elliot Paul
Chairman

Franz Boas
Theodore Dreiser
Rockwell Kent
Corliss Lamont
George Seldes
Maxwell S. Stewart
Dashiell Hammett

We enclose a self-addressed envelope. May we hear from you as soon as possible?

Return Petition to Elliot Paul, Chairman, Room 1203,
461 Fourth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Tuesday

File/

THE CHIMNEY CORNER
MEADOWMOUNT
ELIZABETHTOWN, NEW YORK

Dear Mrs. Wilson -

Thank you for writing me about arranging a meeting for Mrs. Bethune - I have been looking around to see what could be managed but I do not think it hopeful -

You see, when we have

had meetings and large
gatherings here it has been
at our own - rather large
house. But this year
that house is rented
and all our other cottages
are much too small -
Also I am very busy
at this time arranging
my own concert programs
(I am a singer) and
looking after guests etc.

THE CHIMNEY CORNER
MEADOWMOUNT
ELIZABETHTOWN, NEW YORK

and I simply would not have time to try and work up a meeting in Elizabethtown.

I feel badly to have to refuse because my father was so deeply interested in the Negro race and always welcomed every opportunity to help them.

I think it splendid that you have arranged for Mrs. Bethune to be heard and I am really sorry not to help.

I am glad you know Inez I hope we will meet too.

Sincerely

Vida Milholland

Mrs. Francis Balazs
Acting Dean of Women
Rollins College
Winterpark, Fla.

Shall be happy to
have Dr. Yarros
visit us over weekend.
Wire time of arrival.

A. C. Jackson
Dir. of Women
B. C. C.

General Specified

File

ROGERS ROCK CLUB
ON LAKE GEORGE
ROGERS ROCK, NEW YORK

Dear Mrs. Meigs:

Your call came after I had written this letter.

August 7th. to 27th. is the time Mrs. Bethune suggests. I hope you will want her the first part. Let me know soon, please.

Would it be best for me to write to hotels in your vicinity such as, Upper Saranac Inn, & Loon Lake & ask them to reply to you so that you may arrange all the schedule of the first half. Then, if you'll give me

the dates you don't want be
I'll arrange the Lake
George, Lake Champlain
& Vermont schedule.

Do you happen to know
any Lake George resident
who would have in-
fluence at The Lake
George Club? It's a real
club, not a hotel. We are

members as are many
who are interested in the
racial problem — such as
Mr. George Foster Peabody.
I asked Mrs. Charles Tuttle
about this and she said
Hampton and the Penn
Schools are so often giving
benefits ~~fo~~ at that south
end of the lake that Mrs.
B. might not do. Still, there
is no other Negro speaker
to compare with her.

Let me know if you
think of anything else
I could do.

Faithfully yours, Ruth T. Weber

List of Summer Hotels

ROGERS ROCK CLUB
ON LAKE GEORGE
ROGERS ROCK, NEW YORK

Rogers Rock on Lake George
✓ Glenburnie Inn " " "
✓ Sagamore Hotel " " "
Westport Inn on Lake Champlain
Bluff Point Hotel " " "
✓ Allenwood Inn, Burlington Vt.
(Col. Woodbury's hotel)
Upper Saranac Inn.
Lake Placid Club
Whiteface Inn
Middlebury Inn, Middlebury Vt.

I would gladly write to all of these for general permission

and with the aid of a map
you could then arrange
your schedule.

As we politicians say
"Kindly advise."

R. D. W.

1820 Illinois St
Jacksonville Fla
Oct -20-1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

OCT 22 1940

Pres. Roger

Will you kindly have them correct my Initial as my name is not Nellie but Willie Lee now if the names are to be inscribe pleas let them be right, oblge.

W. L. Mack

10/22/40
Please note above,
Make Corrections

[illegible]

THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING M.F.S.S. OCT. 18, 1943

The meeting was held in Bishop Francis J. McConnell's office at 150 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. at 4:00 P.M.

Bishop McConnell, the President of the Federation presided. Persons present were: Bishop McConnell, Miriam Ristine, Lester W. Auman, Wade C. B Barclay, Ralph B. Urmy (executive committee members) and Charles C. Webber and Harry F. Ward (secretaries).

The Executive Secretary, Charles C. Webber, read the minutes of the last meeting, those of Oct. 18, 1942. Dr. Ward pointed out that , while "he had considered the advisability of making the Social Questions Bulletin an(United Christian Council for Democracy) interdenominational organ" as stated in the mintues, he had withdrawn his own personal advocacy of the propsal of the U.C.C.D. after he had been convinced by his conversation with Charles Webber that Charles Webber was opposed to the proposition. He asserted that all he then did was to present to the executive committee the U.C.C.D.'s offer to combine theid proposed publication with our Bulletin. The minutes were accepted with amplification.

Mr. Webber read the finincial report of the last fiscal year of the Federation (Oct. 1, 1942-Sept. 30, 1943) and also the office and membership report for the same period. These were prepared by Mrs. Webber.

Mr. Webber asked the members of the Executive Committee to bear in mind, as they analyzed these reports, that ever since August 15, 1942, when Gertrude Rutherford left the Federation, Mrs. Webber had handled all of the office work of our organization - the sending out of the financial appeals, the renewal notices and the receipts, the record and bookkeeping, the answering of communications, and especially the stimulation of our members and Unit groups into action - as well as editing the Social Questions Bulletin - all on a voluntary basis without the services of a stenographer to assist her and with no vacation for over fourteen months.

Mr. Webber also pointed out that from Jan. 15, 1943, until Aug. 15, 1943, while he was on leave of absence with the Amalgamated Clothing workers of America (in order to help finance the Federation) Mrs. Webber had handled practically all of the administrative work of the M.F.S.S. and in addition had served on the editorial board of the U.C.C.D. and had represented him at his insistance on the executive committee of the U.C.C.D. when Dr. Ward sent word that he would not be there.

During the discussion of Mrs. Webbers Mr. Webber emphasized the following significant items:

1. Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1943 with all bills paid (no note on bank) $ 1496.08.
2. Total salary paid Charles C. Webber by the M.F.S.S. during the fiscal year $1,557.28 (Balance of salary paid by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America)
3. $3,477.12 secured from our members by Mrs. Webber during the fiscal year 1942-3 --- $1,48125 more than was obtained from membership in the previous year.
4. 1,409 persons paid some form of membership.
5. The travel expenses of Mr. Charles C. Webber of $281.83 were almost equalled by contributions of $257.64 given to meet those expenses.

Following the discussion of the reports Miriam Ristine proposed that a resolution of appreciation of Mrs. Webber's splendid work be adopted. Her resolution was unanimously adopted with many expressions of enthusiastic approval from all of the persons present.

Charles C. Webber then made a report on his activities during the year. His report was also accepted.

Dr. Ward in presenting his report stated that he had given a great deal of time to the work of the Untied Christians Council for Democracy and very little to M.F.S.S. outside of preparing the material for 3 issues of the S.-Q.B.

Exec. Comm. M.F.S.S. Reort of Oct. 18, 1943

He reported he had spoken at the Newark Conference Social Service Com-
luncheon and on two other occasions in New Jersey.

After these reports were given Charles Webber stated that when he had discussed the future of the Federatuon with Bishop McConnell during early October the Bishop had informed him that he felt that the Bishop ought to resign as President of the Federation as he was going to retire as Bishop at the 1944 General Conferense.

Charles Webber also said he had told the Bishop and Harry Ward at that time he was resigning. When conferring with the Bishop, Charles Webber said he was resigning inasmuch as there was a real possiblity he might have to take a position with antoher organization in January of February to prevent the Federation from running into debt again. He asserted that he did not feel that the Bishop should be asked again to sign a note at the bank for the Federation.

Bishop McConnell then presented his resignation to the Committee and reiterated that he had said from the beginning that he would resign from the Chairmanship of the Federation upon his retirement as Bishop. Harry Ward also submitted his resignation.

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Charles Webber recommended that a committee be appointed with power to take next steps based on the judgements of the executive committee members present. He also advised that a meeting of the general membership be held at the next session of the General Conference — said meeting to formulate policies and a program for the future. He called attention to F. Ernest Johnsen's article in the October 1943 issue of the Bulletin; an article that gives a sound theoretical as well as practical basis for the continuance of such unofficial social organizations as the M.F.S.S.

Harry Ward said that a referendum should be taken among the members as to what policies and programs they desired and that the whole Federation should be reorganized , if need be, in the light of the replies to the referendum. He also stated that there is a great ~~[illegible]~~ need for the work that the Federation can do.

Dr. Barclay said that the Federation ought to have a meeting of the Executive Committee at the General Conference in order that they might decide what should happen to the Federation. Lester Auman agreed with Dr. Barclay.

Charles Webber then said that the Federation would, in all probability, be in debt again if he was retained until General Conference time. The major items of expense he pointed out are his salary, the $100.00 for the Bulletin and the $25.00 a month for rent.

Bishop McConnell remarked that it isn't fair to ask our membership for more money when the Federation may fold up at any time. Dr. Urmy suggested that the Executive Committee""take it to the country". Dr. Bratley agreed and then suggested that the Federation go on until the end of 1943.

Lester Auman said that it seemed to him that the final decision should be held off until General Conference. Ward told the Committee that it would have to decide ~~if~~ whether they were goingt to keep Webber on.

Motion was made and then adopted that Ward and McConnell's resignation be accepted as of the end of General Conference, 1944.

Vote of thanks given to Ward and McConnell.

Moved and passed thatWard, McConnell, Webber and Mrs. Webber be appointed to discuss the situtaion and then call antoher meeting of the Executive Committee.

Bishop McConnell raised the question of the status of Mrs. Webber in view of the fact that she was doing more than office work. Mr. Webber suggested that she be given some such title as ~~[illegible]~~ Associate Secretary and that the Committee just appointed bring in a recommendation on this point to the Executive Committee.

The members of the Executive Committee without exception took the position that Charles Webber was to feel free to take another job if it came along.

It was left that if conditions can be made so as to enable Charles and Mrs. Webber to stay on, or if not both of them one of them, or if neither, another meeting of the Executive Committee should be held to decide what should be ~~the~~ done.

Lester Auman moved that Charles Webber be paid the $500.00 agreed upon at the Executive Committee meeting ofOct. 23, 1943.

This was unanimously voted.

Urmy moved that remuneration for Mrs. Webber should be decided on by the committee of four. Voted.

Barclay brought up again the question of letting the membership know what the real situation of the Federation is. He then made a motion that the committee draw up a statement of policy with a view of its being sent to the membership. Voted and passed.

Moved and passed that the booklet by the C.I.O. (sent out free by the C.I.O.) be sent to the membership. (Title of the belklet --"For the Nation's Security").

Meeting adjourned. 5:45 p.m.

General Correspondence (Outgoing) Un

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
Daytona Beach, Florida

Inter - Office Communication

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To

From

Mr. Martin Spivey(Father of Willard Spivey
409 E. 9th Street
Sanford, Florida

The faculty and students of Bethune-Cookman College joins me in expressing warmest sympathy to you and family in your bereavement.

Mary McLeod Bethune

Donor

Mrs. George L. Slawson
900 North Oleander Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Slawson,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative and listening to the story of our Institution. We sincerely hope that your interest has been aroused and that you will take the time to visit Bethune-Cookman and see what we are trying to do here.

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of one dollar to our maintenance budget. This is of great help to us at this time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure funds with which to pay teachers' salaries. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

We extend to you a very cordial invitation to attend our Sunday afternoon community meetings and enjoy the musical programs presented by our student groups.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

Mrs. John Hope
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Hope:

May we express our very deep appreciation for your Contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Bethune-Cookman Club of New York.

It means so much to us to have the active interest of a group such as yours. I felt that the recent meeting in New York was very significant, and I hope much good will accrue from it.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of your donation. Please continue to use your influence in our behalf.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb-ejt

1 enclosure

Mrs. H. H. Hatch Hawks'
~~Mount Dora Tourist~~ Club
Edgewater, Florida

Hawks. Club

Dear Mrs. Hatch:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $11.00 to Bethune-Cookman College and for the opportunity given our Singers to serve you.

We enclose official receipt for same. We hope you enjoyed the Program rendered by our group and will give them an opportunity to serve you again in the future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt
1 enclosure

Mr. Benjamin F. Seldon,
1876 Johnson Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mr. Seldon:

Thanks for your letter recommending Miss Willie Mae Woodbury. We regret very much that it is impossible for us to offer her any aid toward her expenses for this school year. We have many more requests for student aid than our resources will allow us to meet.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb:fld

Mrs. Geraldine H. Rhodes
536 Harvard Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

My dear Gerald:

I will reach Washington Tuesday, the 12th, and will take up matters of National Headquarters with you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

Donor

Rev. S J Johnson
617 Carter Street
Orlando, Florida

Dear Rev. Johnson:

Your contribution of one dollar to the Bethune-Appreciation Campaign means so much to Bethune-Cookman College with its heavy program during these days. Do keep up your spirit. We have need for many more loyal friends.

Continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. God bless you for this aid.

Gratefully and sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB:idb
1 enc - receipt for $1.00

General

Mr. V. L. Estes,
Passenger Agent, Southern Railway
241 West Forsyth Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Would appreciate arrangement for reservation for my friend Mrs. M C Mason, Jacksonville to Chicago Monday night, April 10 - Please wire collect ~~xfxpxxxxibxx~~ indicating space and cost of ticket and reservation

Mary McLeod Bethune

Telegram to

Mr. V. L. Estes,
241 West Forsyth Street,
Jacksonville, Florida

Thank you for kindness regarding reservation for Drs. Hughes and Handy - Wire collect if they should go to ticket window~~, for~~ for reservation, presenting your telegram

Mary McLeod Bethune.

MEMORANDA, from President Bethune, to

Mr. Simpson,
Dean Bond,
Mr. Taylor,

Mr. McCoo
Mrs. Winona Brown
Mr. Coleman
Mrs. Dyett

Re - PUBLICITY MUSIC FOR THE 1938 Season.

1 - Male Quintette, with Mr. McCoo, and possibly Mr Coleman as reader, to fill engagements out of the city. Office to make engagements in hotels of East and West Coasts. Plan so that group may fill several engagements at a time, but returning to the college for Sunday meetings.

2 - Girls Octet~~x~~, with enough boys selected from the chorus to make a full group, to be used for the local hotel engagements. Mrs. Winona Brown and Mrs. Dyett to go with this group

Try to get Albert Bethune, Sr. and Mr. Coleman to sing with this group.

3 - Have work supervisors to use other students in the places of work students who areneeded in the music groups,

4 - Have chapel daily. Use minimum of time for devotions and ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ balance of time for music training for entire group. On the days of the regular choir practice, entire group may be used for a few minutes and then choir may be used.

- Mary McLeod Bethune

dowment we so greatly need.

We must close this year without a deficit, and we are asking our friends to help us to this goal.

Will you be kind enough to send us a donation at this time? Gifts - large or small - will be so gratefully received.

Please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

mmb-elr

Enclosed please find One dollar
Mr. Frank L. Morton is deceased
Yours truly
(Mrs) Frank L. Morton

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Over

Thursday -

Mr. Victor Kauffman
The Evening Star - The Sunday Star
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Kauffman:

We are most grateful to you for the interest you have manifested in this work for so many years. You have always responded so generously to our needs for the Institution's program.

May we thank you for your contribution of fifty dollars. I cannot tell you how much relief it brings. We are making every possible effort to meet the maintenance needs this year without amassing a deficit. May God bless you for helping us toward our goal.

Our school has gone forward in a marvellous and miraculous manner during these days - thanks to our Faith and our Friends - but we realize that the time has come for security. We are praying and fighting for an Endowment Fund.

Please know how warmly grateful we are for your share of the [illegible].

We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-lrb
1 enclosure

Mr. John Wesley Jones, Jr.
P. O. Box 23
Waldo, Florida

My dear Mr. Jones:

Thank you for your letter of September 24, and for your desire to enter Bethune-Cookman College for the furtherance of your educational training.

We are sorry to state that we are unable to give your application for work a favoragle reply. We have had many applications for work and it has been impossible for us to help all.

We have no specialized department of Theology. Under separate cover we are sending you a catalogue, so that you might familiarize yourself with the courses that we are offering.

We wish for you much success in your field of endeavor.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-lrb

I am going away next week, but you can communicate with me through my office and it will reach me in the due course of the mail. We shall be very thoughtful and careful over our decision.

Our summer school is moving on nicely. We have an enrollment of two hundred and eighty-seven which we consider to be very good.

With a request for an immediate reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

President Mary McLeod Bethune
acknowledges with sincere appreciation
the kind invitation of the Trustees,
Faculty and Graduating Classes of
Bishop College, to attend the
Sixtieth Anniversary Spring
Commencement Exercises, May
eighteenth to twenty-third in
Marshall, Texas and regrets
her inability to be present.

May fourteenth

General Correspondence (Telegrams) U

Form 3385-B

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Aubrey Williams

1734 Newyork Ave National Youth Administration
Washington D C

I heartily approve bob ELZY for Helen Harris's staff

Mary McLeod Bethune

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WP34 52 NL=CHICAGO ILL MAY 24

MRS MARY BETHUNE=
WORKS PROGRESS=

WE ORGANIZED CHICAGO TODAY CONTACTED CLUBS ORGANIZATIONS AND CHURCHES HAD SPLENDID RESULTS EVERY ONE IS WILLING TO WORK IN CAMPAIGN WILL REPORT AND SEND MONEY TO YOU JUST AS QUICKLY AS RECEIVED BISHOP WALLS ROBERT TAYLOR MR ABBOTT REVEREND AUSTIN CLAUDE BARNETT AND N K MCGILL AND BUSINESS WOMEN ARE SPONSORING CAMPAIGN=

MARJORIE STEWART JOYNER.

MAY 25 831A

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BIRTHDAY GREETING

LDA87 AP FT

ATLANTA GA

General

DR M M BETHUNE

LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH CORNER OF CHAMBERLIN & JACKSON ATLA

GREETINGS ON THE COMPLETION OF ANOTHER YEAR. MAY EACH SUCCESSIVE ONE BE MORE JOYOUS

LEROY L HENDERSON

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General

C. E. Ward Company
New London, Ohio

Need cap and gown 1 week's rental starting July 17.

A. L. Simpson

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Rev. W. M. Brown
High Springs, Fla.

Postpone engagement until later date. Impossible to come Friday.

A. L. Simpson
Bethune-Cpokman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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Bishop R. A. Grant
Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

Error in date of Baccalaureate Exercises. It is to be July 17. Wire acceptance.

A. L. Simpson

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Coach Mildred Ellerbe.
Hastings High School
Hastings Fla.

Impossible to play.

H. N. Johnson

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Mr. Thomas Wallace
615-Twentieth Street
West Palm Beach, Fla

please send money immediately

Collect

Felicia Wallace
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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Mrs. Melissa Stewart
503 N. 8th ST.
Fort Pierce, Fla.

Ophel left 9:50. [illegible] Will arrive 12:40 P. M. Please meet Train.

Alice C. Jackson
Dir. of Women, B.C.C.

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General

Colin English
State Department of Public Instruction
Tallahassee, Florida

Bethune-Cookman extends you invitation to address graduating class July 23rd at 2:00 P.M. Please wire.

Mary McLeod Bethune

Charge to the account of ______________________ $ ________

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Mrs. Bertha L. Mitchell:

Please telegraph me collect where Dr. Bethune will be February 22 and 23.

Signed:

O.E. McKaine
2305 Richmond Street
Columbia South Carolina

Mrs. Bethune ~~[illegible]~~ in Daytona Beach
~~morning of Feb. 22~~
Today - enroute
Chicago Feb. 23
where she speaks
Feb. 24 - BLM

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BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE=

THROUGH YOU I EXTEND SINCERE THANKSGIVING GREETINGS TO THE STUDENTS AND TEACHERS THANK GOD FOR ALL OF YOU MAY GRATITUDE FOR HIS BLESSINGS FILL YOUR HEARTS I AM WITH YOU IN SPIRIT COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS AND WITH UNSELFISH SERVICE PASS THEM ON MAY I DEPEND UPON EVERY ONE OF YOU=

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Dr M J Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Ill

When did you mail fifteen hundred check. Holding books open.

Mary McLeod Bethune

Answer requested

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JE57 13 1 EXTRA=DAYTONABEACH FLO FEB 10 1939 210P

DR MARY MCCLEOD BETHUNE=
PRES B COOKMAN COLLEGE DAYTONABEACH FLO=

OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. WE WISH YOU SPEEDY RECOVERY=

FACULTY CAMPBELL ST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GLADYS H CARR PRIN.

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Received at

WK33 54 NL 3 EXTRA=CHICAGO ILL JUL 6

MRS MARY MCCLEOD BETHUNE=
DIRECTOR OF NYA=

nya Mailing List

JUST RECEIVED MESSAGE AM GRATEFUL FOR OPPORTUNITY OF COMMUNICATING MY PROFOUND INTEREST TO CARRY ON IF AVAILABLE FINANCIAL AID YOUNG MEN ARE APPEALING TO ME FROM ALL SECTIONS FOR TRAINING. THEIR FAMILIES CANNOT AFFORD NECESSARY EXPENSES LEAVING THEM TO DRIFT ADDING TO GREAT LIST OF IDLENESS WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL=

COLONEL JOHN C ROBINSON 4401 SOUTH PARKWAY.

742AM JUL 7 1938

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

To Miss Irma Ruff
507 W. 20th Street
Jacksonville, Florida –

Planning four girls and a sponsor.

F. L. Dyett
Bethune-Cookman College –

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Mrs. Melissa ~~Burl~~ Stewart
503 N. 8th St
Fort Pierce, Fla.

Ophel left 9:50 - Will arrive 12:40 P.M.
Please meet train.

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TALLAHASSEE FLO AUG 30

MRS RAINES

SECTY BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE DAYTONABEACH FLO.

DID ROGERS ARRANGE FOR CONFERENCE WITH MRS BETHUNE THIS WEEK PLEASE WIRE COLL BY POSTALTGH.

A A TURNER.

429PM

TELEGRAMS
TO
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Telephone Your Telegrams to **Postal Telegraph**

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Sent

Robert Clark
641 W. South Street
Orlando, Florida

Are you working - if not can you represent Bethune-Cookman College at National Methodist Student Leadership, Training Conference, Berea, Kentucky - June 12-17th. School will assure expense - Would need you here for instructions Sunday - Wire.

B. L. Mitchell.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

To- Mr. J. H. G. Crawford
Benedict College,
Columbia, S.C.

Will play there October 15 (night). $150.00 guarantee. Two year contract. return game here 1938. mail contract.

H. Samuel Hill

Send Collect

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Dr. David D. Jones
Bennett College for Women
Greensboro, North Carolina

I am down with ~~the grip~~ Lagrippe - Do not come this week end - Letter follows.

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

To. Pres. B. F. Hubert
Ga. State College,
Industrial College,
Georgia

General

Officials selected same as you used before. Preston Peterson-(Fisk), Sam Johnson (Morehouse). Edward Ellerbe-(Florida A&M)!

H. Samuel Hill

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Home Demonstration Agent
C/o Florida A. &.M. College
Tallahassee, Florida

Annual Meeting Board of Trustees March 1st - cannot be with you.

Mary McLeod Bethune

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(COLLECT)

Mr A A Turner
C% Florida A & M College
Tallahassee, Florida

Rodgers will have conference with me Wednesday 3 p m

Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College

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To Coach Ed. Briscoe
Florida Normal College
St. Augustine, Fla

Game cancelled no basket ball here letter to follow

Coach Exum
B.C. College

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WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE.

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9:08 am

Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

To- Mr. John Tutt
Haines Institute
Augusta, Georgia

Date Oct. 16 taken. Will play you here Oct. 9th Wire at once if acceptable.

H. Samuel Hill -

Send
Prepaid

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Coach Small
Stanton High School
Jacksonville, Fla.

Impossible to play

H. N. Johnson

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Bishop H. Y. Tookes
Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

Bethune-Cookman College joins me in welcoming you, our illustrious son of Florida, home for service. You shall have our fullest cooperation. Illness prevents my being with you tonight.

Signed - Mary McLeod Bethune.

THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

Telegram.

Bethune Cookman Track Team,
Tuskegee Inst.,
Tuskegee, Ala.

School Wishes you success.

A Simpson

General Correspondence Fragments and Miscellaneous —

NOTICE:

This folder contains incomplete documents
or fragments of documents.

Rev. John C. Wright
Pastor, First Congregational Church
105 Courtland St. N.E.
Atlanta, Ga.

May I express my sincerest appreciation for any consideration given me.

Very truly yours,
J. Raymond Davis

B.

WHITMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mathmatics; altho I have not taught this for years still I am willing to do the best can with it. If I may have "rather" I think I should just like to do Mathematics. I am always willing to bear my share of the burden, but as I said before I am not as fit physically as I have been in previous years. But I shall serve you to capacity.

I shall be there to the

ne there.

Hoping to see you soon,
I am as ever, yours—
Yours lovingly
Josie

Faculty meeting Sat. D
22nd at 3 P.M. as pe
request.

I do hope your ev
ambition for Bethune
man College, materi
ly financially and
ritually may be ful
realized.

I desire your pr
ers for my darling
ther. When I leave
this time I may nev
see her alive again

Estella joins me
love and best wish
to you and the dea

from you.

An emergency has arisen. I am to have a serious operation on Friday June 10th. I may or may not survive the operation. I do not wish to leave my library of 1200 volumes to embarrass Mrs. Bender. We are from the North. She is a stranger among comparative strangers. Will you not immediately answer whether you will take the Books, or as many as she may choose to give you, which will be practically all of them?

It is a library which would be of value to the College. I am a Phi Beta Kappa and have made a good selection of books.

My address when I first wrote you was 1726 Brackland St.; it is now 1447 E 8th. St

Please answer immediately

Sincerely

Simpson A. Bender

numbers. We ask all the Presidents and Supts. to ~~ask~~ + persuade all the Young People to Attend Saturday. We hope for a large attendance.

I am sending you a wonderful little book. that tells about the Negroes who have acheived great things, though their beginning was very, very small in opportunities. Please turn to pages 16 + 17. Read about how steal-a-way was composed. and the beautiful story of Swing Low, Sweet Chariot. These are some of the stories about Spirituals that I want told. and then a quartette or group sing them. I suppose your Musical Directress has a book with the History + Origin of some Spirituals.

On Saturoday afternoon, I would like your Music Directress to conduct an "Hour of Music." "Review ~~Spu~~ of the History + Origin of Spirituals", during our Youths Day. The Guest Program for the Oratorical Contest, ~~can~~ will be Saturaday night, after the Contest, while the Judges are out, making their decision.

Choruses + Spirituals, Quartettes, Sextettes, Solos, Instrumental numbers, 2 piano pieces, etc. Just whatever they want, for Saturaday night. I will be writing you before Feb. 25 again. Hoping you continued success,

I am sincerely Yours,
M. E. Grant.

Dr. John F. Carruthers
1015 Prospect Blvd -
Pasadena -
Mrs Gordon Poteats' brother
Daytona

Coach Basket Ball Teams
Negro Industrial High School
West Palm Beach, Fla.

Impossible to play Friday ~~because of Week of Prayer~~. Can play ~~at any~~ later date excepting Mondays.

H. N. Johnson
~~Coach B.C.I. Basket Ball Teams~~

Okay
A Simpson

The C

Chap. XIV

The Jacksonian Era

I. Jackson, the man
  A. A statesman of the Frontier
  B. A man of iron will
  C. A born leader
II. J

D. A. Boyd
924 Reid, St.
Palatka, Fla
Impossible to play friday Letter follows.

H. N. Johnson

Charles James Edward Waters College
will play Friday night. Jacksonville, Fla,

Abraham L. Simpson

John Noble -

Lacrousse, Fla.

Write you about Victoria ~~Jones~~.. You did not answer!
Unless something is done immediately she is coming home.

A Simpson

Mr. C. E. Loving
426 State Street
Bowling Green, Ky.

We have been
thinking of you
all day and hoping
that your Christmas
and Birthday have
been happy. We
love you and are
so grateful for making
our Christmas so
beautiful – The piano
and everything are
lovely – Letter
tomorrow –
Love, Ben, Bertha,
Marcia.

J. Atkinson,
Umatilla, Fla.

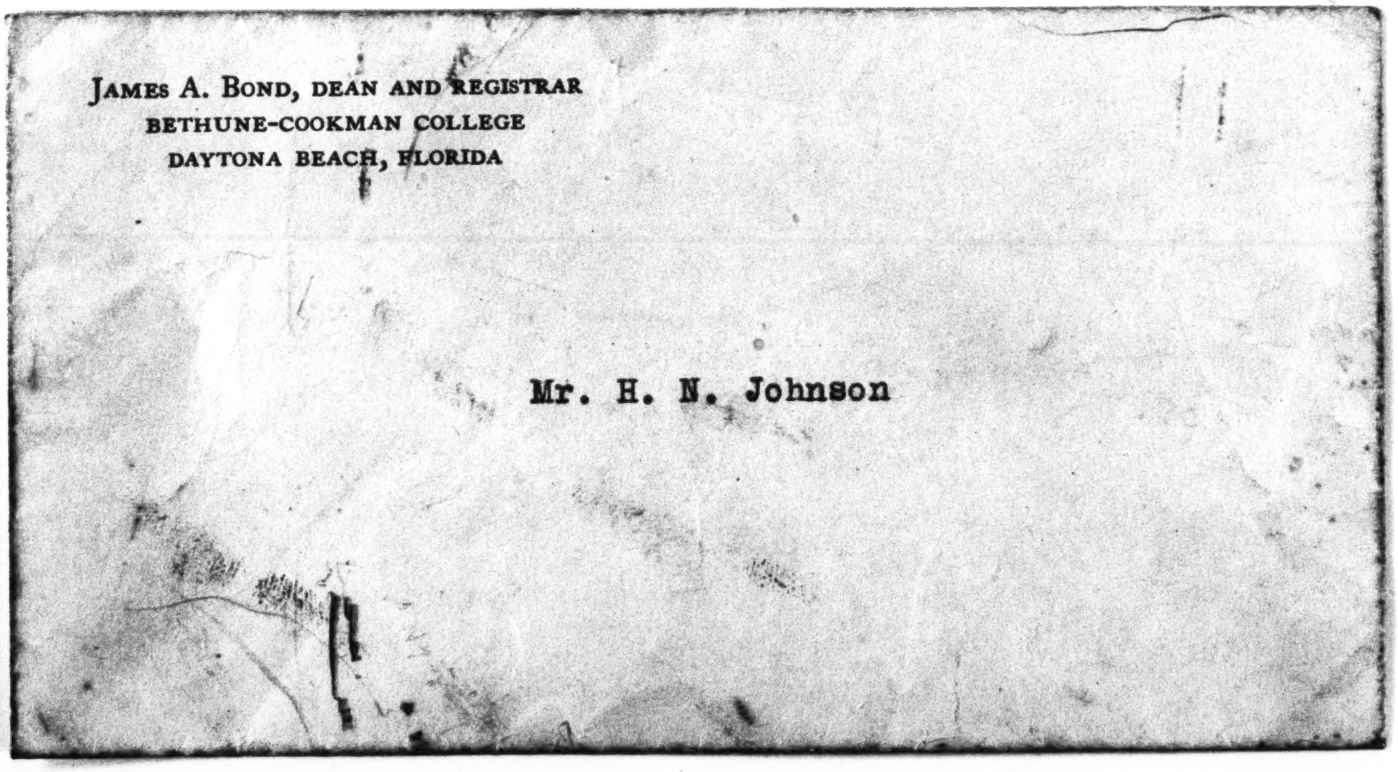
Truck will be over early
Tuesday for fruit. Bethune Cookman Coll,

Eloise: Send at once.

Laine Singleton
Industrial High School
West Palm Beach, Fla.

Dates open next week:
17, 18, 19 please wire immediately as for us to reserve date for you.

Robt. Carr
Bus. Mgr., Basket Ball Teams
Bethune Cookman College



JAMES A. BOND, DEAN AND REGISTRAR
BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

Mr. H. N. Johnson

Eloise
send ~~this~~ telegram at once

9/27/39

Boyd:

Impossible to play ~~return game~~ Friday. Letter follows.

H. N. Johnson

James —
Will play Friday night.

obtainable through knowing the right person. This right person has always been some one I did not know.

I know Mr Robert Elsy very well he is connected with the Nya here but was never in the position to help me. I have great contacts with the heads of the City Dept and if it were not that all City Positions were Civil Service I would have had a position of security. My financial status has been in such a state in the past few years until it was impossible for me to pass an examination.

When you are in New York again I have a contact with a man whom I want you to meet who is the official advisor for Wall Street Brokers

(over)

who are seeking outlets for Charity. I have long felt that he would become interested in your work & add your school to his list for donations. I have had many happy experiences with him in asking aid for various small things that I came across.

If you possibly can help me to obtain a supervisory nonrelief position with either W.P.A. or NYA I would be the happiest person in the world.

I am at present a recreation teacher in the Public school where I am considered a great success; but not to the extent of a promotion. There are many openings in the higher jobs of W.P.A. Negroes rarely get to fill them.

Hoping you can help me,

sincerely

Nona Covington Westheimer

Done

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How I wish I could put two more "oo" to the number but I can't so here is my little ten with all good wishes.

S. W. Brummitt.

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where I could place
them, where they
would be well &
cared for?
I would furnish
all their clothes.
Please let me hear
from you as soon
as convenient, as I
am anxious to get
them placed.

Sincerely
Mrs. Hattie Brown

c/o Mrs. M. M. Odom,
Buena Vista Hotel
Gainesville,
Fla.

if possible, ten days. An early settlement of these matters goes far toward maintaining student morale. You, as an experienced college administrator, have doubtless observed that three-fourths of the disciplinary problems arise among students who have not paid their fees in full to the school.

We need to assure ourselves, and anyone else who has the right to inquire, that full results are being achieved in collecting all bills for which students and their parents are able to find the money.

Will you please send me a report touching this matter, as soon as the results are available? This report should indicate the number of students who have paid in full, and then, by name, the case of each student who has not paid in full in cash, and the nature of the settlement he is making, or the agreement which the President is making in his case.

If we are to avoid an accumulation of unpaid bills such as we found last year, the matter will need to be handled vigorously.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

Secretary, Institutions for Negroes

MJH:D

We are however enclosing herewith a check for five (5) dollars, and hoping that ours with other contributions from the thousands of friends of the institution, may enable you to build the type of structure that the growing demand for service there warrants. With every hope for, and every confidence in your continued success, I am,

Yours very truly,
Hobart L. LaGrone,
Sec'y, Albuquerque,
Branch, N.A.A.C.P.

227 E. Marquette
Albuquerque, N.M.

HLL:DML

Ben

MAY GOD MAKE THEE GLAD TODAY.
THANKFUL ARE WE FOR THE FAITH
LOVE, SERVICE, COURAGE,
ACHIEVEMENT OF OUR FOUNDER.
WE THE RECIPIENTS OF THY FRUITFUL
LIFE REMEMBER WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS
THE SIMPLE YET CONSECRATED
BEGINNING FROM WHICH WE NOW REAP
OUR RICH HERITAGE.
THY SACRIFICES HAVE NOT BEEN IN VAIN.

[redacted]

Special Correspondence: Allen, Gerald

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, PRESIDENT

MRS. C. M. RANSLOW SECRETARY-TREASURER

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE

Daytona Beach, Florida

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 21, 1937

Mrs. Bertha Mitchell
Bethune-Cookman College
Datona-Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Arrived in Detroit. Received a letter from Mrs. Bethune directing me to assist the chairmen of the state emergency committee, which I shall proceed to do. I have also written to Mr. Cohron in Washington. I am sending copies of Mrs. Bethune's letter and also my replies to both so that you may be familiar with my activities.

Unless instructed otherwise, I shall remain here the remainder of the month then proceed East to be with my family a few days and thence to New York.

Thanks for my expense check. Will write a more detailed report next week.

Kindly send literature and a letter of appeal to Mrs. George Alderdice, 265 Redonda Street, Youngstown, Ohio. She is a new friend of the College; a white woman of considerable wealth and influence and should forward a check.

Mrs Richardson

My address is:

Detroit Y. M. C. A.
St. Antoine Branch
635 East Elizabeth Street
Detroit, Michigan

Sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen,

Gerald E. Allen
Field Secretary

May 21, 1937

Mrs. Mary Bethune
316 Tee Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your letter of May 14th forwarded to me.

I proceeded to Detroit as per your suggestion in your letter of April 21st and found the enthusiasm of your meeting of several weeks still strong. The atmosphere created by your presence should permit some real work here. A quick survey of the situation prompts me to say that at least the remaining part of the month should be spent here for the purpose of assisting your state chairman, Mrs. Stephens, and contacting certain white persons.

I met Mrs. Stephens committee yesterday and found that some enthusiasm and help is necessary. They desire me to speak before a number of groups including churches, sororities, and lodges and contact certain colored persons; these engagements to be arranged by the committee. They also promised to furnish me with certain white contacts. I told them that the length of my stay here would depend upon instructions from you. They said that they would write immediately.

You will recall that at the outset, I was to limit the scope of my activities to certain white and colored contacts, but I am happy to understand that I am to assist the chairman of the various state on emergency committees because much can be done in this dual capacity and yet obtain results in both.

I spoke in Youngstown, Ohio Sunday and remained over Monday to see several persons with Mrs. Parham. I met a Mrs. George Alderdice of 265 Redondo Road, Youngstown, Ohio. She is a wealthy widow whose husband died last year. She goes to Florida each year and has just returned. I talked with her over an extended period of time in detail about the school, and your activities and she seemed impressed. She said that she would give the matter serious consideration, and if possible give a check to Mrs. Parham for the school. I have her promise that she will visit the school and meet you on her trip to Florida next year. Mrs. Parham will write to you concerning the meeting and Mrs. Alderdice.

Attached you will find a copy of my letter to Mr. Cohron.

I desire very much to return the first of the month to be with my family for a few days and to do the organizational work in Philadelphia, New York, and New England states.

Kindly advise me as to the Detroit situation.

My address here is:

Detroit Y. M. C. A.
St. Antoine Branch
635 East Elizabeth Street
Detroit, Michigan

Sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen
Field Secretary

Encl.
GEA:HHC

June 7, 1937

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
316 Tee Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your letter of recent date received and also one from Mr. Cohron suggesting that I give my fullest cooperation to your state chairman. My report consists of the following:

Attempting to adjust problems arising within the emergency state committee and assisting them to raise the required quota. Unfortunately, I found a considerable amount of misunderstanding within the committee, and on the outside among those persons who felt that they should have been included as members of the committee in the drive and as a part of the functions when you were here. This situation applied especially to a number of the federated club women such as Mrs. Culley, Mrs. Lindsey, and others whom I found to be extremely interested in your work and eager to work. It seems that a number of women who are presidents or who are holding responsible positions in clubs have not been invited to the committee meetings. However, through personal contacts and talks to these women and clubs I have been able to overcome to some extent these misunderstandings. Mrs. Stephens has gladly agreed to have more representative meetings.

I also found that the committee had place Mrs. Faulerg, Executive Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. name on the committee's letterhead without consulting her. This situation had completely alienated her from our work until I conferred with her over a period of time. The above situations have tended to occupy a considerable amount of my time which could have been used much more profitably. I do feel, however, in full justice to Mrs. Stephens that any misunderstanding was wholly unintentional on her part and that she is one of the most sincere and cooperative workers I have found. But there is no doubt in my mind that it was very opportune that I came to Detroit if only for the purpose of fringing these forces together for the purpose of securing the desired results. There are naturally petty problems arising in the competition of these clubs which show themselves in united drives of any national movement on the outside. I have to the best of my ability with skill and diplomacy attempted to develop that harmony so essential to a successful campaign in the state of Michigan through talks and meetings, and personal contacts and through it all upholding your state chairman.

A number of talks were given which were arranged by the Committee and Mrs. Lindsey. I am listing those that have pledged amounts of money and others who have definitely promised.

Peerless Art Club (Federated Womens Club) Mrs. Lindsey, president
Current Topic Club (Women's Federated Club)
Presidents of the Women's Federated Clubs.
(about 25 to 30 women attended this meeting at the Y.W.C.A. and promised to take request funds to their respective clubs at their next meeting.)
Second Baptist Church, Inaker, Michigan. Mrs. Stephens presiding.
(this group gave a contribution to the committee and will give more).
Birdhurst Community Center. Mrs. Stephens' group. A committee was organized and pledged to raise $25.00 or more.
Northwest Beauticians Association of about one hundred beauticians pledged to give an amount from their treasury, an unstipulated amount.
Ebeneezer A. M. E. church. I spoke at the Sunday morning services. Rev. Baber stated that his church would do something tangible for our cause after their Dollar Money was raised.

Mrs. Stephens and her now reorganized committee has promised to follow up these contacts immediately.

CONFERENCES

Probably the most important conference held and most promising was with Mr. John Roxborough, manager of Joe Lewis, who is a personal friend of mine and who was in the city for a few days. He has promised definitely to contribute to the school and have Joe Lewis and Julian Black, trainer and co-manager of Joe Lewis to do likewise after the fight in June. He said that each year he had given to a number of colored schools but not to Bethune-Cookman College. He instructed me to have you write to him the middle of June, as a reminder, and also to Lewis and Blackburn at the following addresses:

John Roxborough
1727 St. Antoine Street
Detroit, Michigan

Joe Lewis
1727 St. Antoine St.
Detroit, Michigan

Julian Black
14 East 51st Street
Chicago, Illinois

He said he would deduct the amount from his income tax. I have found that Mr. Roxborough bears a reputation for fullfilling his promises. A letter with a strong appeal and literature should be forwarded about June 15th with a follow-up letter after June 22nd.

Conference with Mr. Anderson that undertaker. A check for $5.00 was given and turned over to Mrs. Stephens. Mr. Anderson said that he would do more next time.

Conference with Dr. John Z. Bargyh, 455 Adams Ave. East, who will give our request for funds serious consideration. It is claimed he has considerable wealth. Mrs. Stephens and members of the committee feel certain he will come through.

Although most of my stay here has been occupied with our group in committee meetings, personal contacts, talks, and conferences, nevertheless, a few contacts with the following white persons were made:

> Mrs. Van Auken, national committee woman for the State of Michigan. I spent a full morning with her at her home with Mr. Eddie Tolan and she was ready and anxious to take me to certain white contacts but her state committee meetings and the fact that many of these wealthy contacts were out of the city at this time prevented any tangible results. She promised that if I returned in the Fall that she would put me in personal contact with these persons.
>
> Mrs. Albert L. French, 2700 West Chicago Blvd. who was leaving the next morning for Colorado but was interested and would consider the request upon her return in the Fall as well as talk to her friends. Literature and a letter should be sent the latter part of August.
>
> Mrs. Robert Davis who was unable ti give at this time is sending a large American Flag made by her mother who was a doctor, to the school for the auditorium. Her address is 4321 Fourth Street. Will cooperated upon my next trip to Detroit by calling in a number of her white frinds in order that I may speak to them.

The committee is having a meeting before my departure. It is my plan to urge them to greater efforts and a united front in their drive toward their quota.

Upon leaving here it is my plan to spend next week in Pittsburgh then proceed East working in Philadelphia and New York if this proceedure meets with your approval.

Sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen
Field Secretary

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE

Daytona Beach, Florida

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

June 7, 1937

Mrs. Bertha Mitchell
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Attached please find a copy of my report to Mrs. Bethune which deals with my activities in Detroit. As you will note that most of my efforts as requested was spent with the state emergency committee.

I presume that since this drive is near a close that I will be permitted to contact to a larger extent white and colored persons who have considerable wealth.

I believe, however, that my efforts here should greatly help the committee to realize its objective.

Communications should be forward after June 7th to the Colored Y. M. C. A., Pittsburgh, Pa., Center Avenue and Francis Street. I will be in Pittsburgh for one week then will come East.

Sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen

Gerald E. Allen
Field Secretary

716 North Arlington Avenue
Baltimore Maryland
June 10, 1937

Mrs. Bertha Mitchell
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Engagements on the part of the Emergency Committee in the State of Michigan necessitated my remaining in Detroit until the 8th, however, I shall return to Pittsburgh at a later date and cover that field completely

I am proceeding to Philadelphia and New York and remaining in Baltimore for a few days. I will forward a report to you in the very near future.

I think that my efforts spent in the state of Michigan will prove most profitable.

Sincerely yours

Gerald E. Allen

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June 17th 1937.

Mrs. Bertha Mitchell, Sec. to Mrs. Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Arrived in Philadelphia Tuesday, and the attached report will indicate my procedure here.

I have secured some white contacts here, and am proceeding to stimulate the state campaign committee. It may be well that this duty was assigned to me, since in the very near future, a number of our wealthy contacts will be on their vacation. Of course my work in New York and New England will carry me into several of these wealthy resorts.

There is a great need, according to Mrs. Bethune, for work in NewYork, where as I understand it, no state emergency committee has been developed.

My address here is 2027 Catherine Street, Philadelphia, c/o Dr. Martin.

I expect to remain here for at least two weeks.

Have you received a favorable report from Detroit? Did Mrs. Alderice of Youngstown respond? I desire all available white and colored contacts in Philadelphia and New York City, and New York State. This information at your earliest convenience will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE,
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June 17th 1937.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
316 Tea Street, Northwest,
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Arrived in Philadelphia, Tuesday-- and learned through Mr. Miller, Executive Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., that Mrs. Addie Dickerson, 628 south 16th Street, was carrying on the campaign for this section.

I went to see her and ascertained the following information,--that she had written to Attorney Vann, State Chairman,on several occasions but had not received any reply, and therefore proceeded because of the lateness of the season to organize her committee for the campaign. They held their first meeting last week.

As far as I can observe, there has been very little donehere, and tremendous efforts will have to be put forth to raise funds for several reasons. First, there have been a number of campaigns; the approaching of the summer season;--and again several problems which are always present will have to be straightened out.
There was a tendency on the part of several members of the committee to wait until the fall to start the campaign, but I quickly dispelled that notion, because it is publicly knowthat the campaign is to start, and it would be difficlut to re assemble the commtiiee again. And finally the money is needed right away.

I hope I proceeded correctly in this respect. There was a need for immediate action. Regardless of what is raised the committee can remainintact if necessary until the fall. I am therefore bending every effort to spur the members to their best efforts.

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I also had a profitable conference with Mr. Wayne L. Hopkins, Executive Secretary of the Armstrong Association (Urban League), who is a member of the committee. He has turned over office space to us, and is furnishing white and colored contacts.

I might state that there arose a very bad misunderstanding in Detroit between Mr. Tolan and Mrs. White, sho is in charge of the Peter Pan Nursery School. She claimed no cooperation and had not been invited to serve on the state emergency committee. I was successful in bringing her back in line.

Her mother's Club of the Nursery School will send a substantial contribution to the school when they meet.

I am certain it will be to the interest of the campaign committee that I remain here for at least two weeks in order to get things well underway before proceeding to New York.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Cohron, and to Mrs. Mitchell. My address here is 2027 Catherine Street, Philadelphia--c/o Dr. Martin.

Hoping you are well, and that the commencement program was a success,

I remain,

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June 29th 1937.

Mrs. Bertha Mitchell, Sec. to Mrs. Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Attached, please find a copy of my report to Mrs. Bethune. As you will observe that the greater portion of my time has been consumed in getting action from the state emergency committee.

The New York situation, from observation seems to be the most encouraging of all. First, because the committee is well organized with the most representative Negroes in New York--who have excellent white contacts.

Did you send a letter to Mr. John Roxborough, co-manager of Joe Louis, and to Mr. Blackburn, his trainer? Also ask Mr. Roxborough to secure Joe Louis's contribution. Mention his promise to me , and tell him how urgent it is that we raise the required deficit. He is very liberal, and is considered a man of his word. He must know that we have been depending upon these contributions.

I hope to secure some real checks before another month is over. I will be in New York next week, and will forward my new address.

Mrs. Thomas Potts, (white), promised to send a check. Kindly forward, as soon as possible, all white and colored contacts in New York, to the New York Urban League, 202 West 136th Street, New York City.

Sincerely yours,

Garnet E Alley

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June 29th 1937.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
315 Tea Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I was extremely pleased to have had the opportunity to come to New York to attend the meeting and to see you after an extended absence. I am also happy for the opportunity to go to New York to work with a committee which seems ready and anxious to plunge and raise funds. It was the most encouraging situationffrom the standpoint of state emergency committees which I have observed in my travels.

The report of activities in Philadelphia consists of the following--work with the state emergency committee of Eastern Pennsylvania, talks, conferences and contacts.

Upon my arrival in Philadelphia I found that although a committee had been organized, little or nothing had been done towards raising the quota for this section. I immediately contacted the chairman, Mrs. Addie Dickerson, and membersof the committee, emphasizing the necessity of immediate and continued action.

The desire on the part of some to wait until the fall wasdispelled and action was obtained. The committee was divided into teams by the chairman with a stipulated amount to be raised. It was also suggested that a skeleton organization be maintained through the summer, because it would be physically impossible before the close of the campaign, to tap known sources, where money could be obtained.

In a conference with Mr. Wayne Hopkins, executive secretary of the Armstrong Association, and Mr. Herbert T. Miller, executive secretary of the Y. W. C. A., both members of the committee.

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They told me that if the committee continued to work through the summer, and especially in the fall, there was much more that they could do--since the committee had just recently come into existance, and its plane made public.

Sunday June 27th was set aside in all the churches for the contribution to the school. I spoke personally at the Tindley Temple, of which Dr. Henry is pastor, and they set aside an amount for the school. I also sp spoke at Bethel Church the same Sunday, and they will take up a collection next Sunday.

I went to the Berean School, of which Mrs. Matthew Anderson is principal, but found that she was out of the city. However, I secured a complete list of persons who attended the luncheon meeting at the University of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Bethune was the Principle speaker at this meeting. Most of the persons who attended were colored. Members of the committee and myself are attempting to see as many as possible.

Letters were mimeographed for every Elk Lodge in Eastern Pennsylvania, and turned over to the Grand Exalted Ruler for distribution.

On Saturday June 19th, I spoke at Cheny Training School, to the Pennsylvania State conference of the Negro Council. Dr. Leslie P. Hill Presided, and said that he could be depended on to raise $100 for the committee.

June 25th, I spoke to the city-wide Federation of Women's Clubs, of which Mrs. Ella G. Barker is president. They are in the midst of a drive for another institution, but will do something for our school in the fall.

June 24th, I spoke at the closing exercises of the Durham school, of which Mr. Clarence Whyte is principal. He will cooperate upon his return in the fall.

The following efforts have been made to contact whiterpersons:

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Germantown, said that she would send a check. If check has not been received, would suggest that a letter and literature be sent to her.

I secured an appointment with Dr. John Grant Newman, pastor of the Chambers Wylie Memorial Presbyterian Church. As you know he spoke at the Founder's Day Exercises of the Berean School. I secured the following names of wealthy white persons of Philadelphia,--Mr. James Rewick Hogg, 1220 Market Street; Mr. Crawford, American Stores, 424 N. 19th ; Mr. Wm. Robinson, 424 N. 19th Street.

He doubted that they could be reached before fall, but felt certain that they would help, because they are philanthropic. I will however, make every effort to see them if they are in the city.

While I am not in a position to give the amount of money raised by the committee, I am certain that the report will be encouraging.

There is an opportunity for raising considerable money herepproviding plans are well-formulated. Mrs. Dickerson is of the opinion that we could reach a number of wealthy persons in Chestnut Hill, Elkins Park, Drexel Hill, Mount Airy, Mryn Mawr, and other places in the fall. Many of these she claims to have personal contact. She said she would ask for me to come back later.

I shall proceed to New York next week--to assist the committee and with the determination of getting some worth-while checks from white contacts.

Sincerely yours,
G. E. Allen

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July 19, 1937

Mrs. Bertha Mitchell, Secretary
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Attached, please find a report of my activities in New York; national releases, and letter heads of the newly national organized committee for raising funds for Bethune-Cookman College.

Would you forward at your earliest convenience, letter heads; envelopes (large and small); calling cards; a list of prospects, white and colored, in New York State, New Jersey, and the New England States. As soon as I secure office space, I will write you relative to handling publicity; a monthly bulletin, and other matters from our New York office.

Have you received a report from Mr. John Roxborough? He will be in New York State soon with Joe Lewis for his next fight. I have sent my expense report to Mr. Taylor.

My address here is 240 East 128th Street, New York City, c/o Mrs. Jackson.

Very truly yours,

Gerald E Allen.

Gerald E. Allen

GEA:RS
Enc:

July 19, 1937

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
318 Ten Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

As you possibly know from letters received from Mrs. Norman Williamson, and Mrs. Bessie Bearden, I am in New York City.

Since arriving here, I have been extremely busy, attending meetings with the newly organized National Committee, sponsored by the Iota Phi Lambda sorority, whose chairman is Mrs. Bessie Bearden. Mrs. Norman Williamson is secretary, and treasurer. Cooperation has been extended in the following manner;

1. Mapping out the technique for the National Campaign, with the sororities thirty-five chapters throughout the country.

2. Planning for the benefit dance and reception which is to be held at the Lido Terrace, on August 15th, at which affair Claude Hopkins' orchestra will donate its services. Joe Lewis, heavy weight champion of the world, will be training in the vicinity of New York for his next fight, and we feel certain that he will come as guest.

We are at the present time securing hundreds of patrons for this affair. I have obtained lists from the National Urban League, Mr. Fallings, of the N. Y. A., Mr. [illegible]vin, columnist. Other lists have been obtained from the Y.WC.A. Y. M. C. A., and other organizations. There is no question that this affair should be a marked success.

3. Regular meetings have been held with the committee not withstanding the hot weather. There has been a great amount of enthusiasm on the part of the group.

4. Spoke before the Florida Club, which met at Mrs Pratt's home. About fifty women were present, and voted their whole hearted support, not only for the reception, and dance, but also to our campaign.

5. Mrs. Norman Williamson, and myself, compiled, and wrote the publicity for National Release to all colored papers, in connection with the National Campaign. In addition to this release, Mr. Calvin has promised to syndicate sections of it to one-hundred and thirty-three Negro Newspapers. A copy of the material is attached. Within the next three weeks, material will be released to the White dailys in New York, with reference to our campaign, to raise funds, and the benefit.

Up to the present time, my services which were in demand by this fine committee has been given to this work which should be most profitable to this campaign. After the committee's work will have received the proper impetus it will then be possible for me to devote a part of my time to personal contacts, both white and colored.

It is my plan to set up headquarters here, [illegible] thoroughly canvas New York State, New Jersey, and the New England States. at a later date. With such an arrangement, I feel that it will be possible for me to assist the school with its publicity, such as newspaper releases, monthly school papers etc. It happens that I am personally acquainted with the representatives of all the National Newspapers who maintain offices here.

As you know, many of the wealthy contacts who could be easily reached from here, are away [illegible] This also applies to many of our colored friends, but, those that are available will be reached until others return.

I am certain that you made an excellent move in continuing the National Campaign, and selecting the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, with its fine representative women to carry on nationally. It seems to be a smoothe working organization, with not the least friction evident.

Since my report is in with reference to Phila., I hesitate to tell you that I had to work under these trying circumstances, with Mrs. Addie Dickerson, who because of her attitude alienated many persons who would have given to our cause. Several of the team captains threatened to quit in the midst of the campaign, but much persuasion prevented this, and some results were obtained.

She complained that people would not give because of your position in Washington. I firmly stated that you were an educator, and not a polititian, and that if such was the case, they only used this for an excuse not to help. As a matter of fact, she insulted me on several occasions, but I overlooked this for the cause. I might state that upon my arrival there it was her intention to deferr the campaign until the fall. Of the large number of people I have met since I have been in New York, not one has mentioned your connection in Washington, as effecting our money raising campaign here.

Mrs. Norman Williamson has stated that if I return to Phila. that she would expect me to work through her sorority chapter in that city.

It is the plan of the committee to invite you here as the Honored guest at the Lido Terrace Benefit on August 13th, if you can conveniently arrange it. The Terrace is a large spacious place, and should be filled to its capicity.

Other plans of the committee will be forwarded to you from time to time.

I sincerely hope you are well.

My present address is 240 East [illegible]th Street, New York City, c/o of Mrs. Jackson.

Very truly yours,

GEA:RS
Gerald E. Allen

Enclosures:
1. Publicity
2. Letter heads of National Committee

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224 West 135th St.
New York, N.Y.
August 10, 1937

Mrs. Bertha L. Mitchell,
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

I am enclosing a copy of my report to Mrs. Bethune. I have forwarded Mrs. Bethune's copy to Washington. If she is at the school, kindly show her your copy.

~~I have not received my monthly check as yet. Would appreciate the same.~~

All communications should be sent to our office here at 224 West 135th St. New York, N.Y.

Sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen

Gerald E. Allen
Field Secretary

GEA:MF

224 West 135h St
New York, N.Y.
August 10, 1937

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
316 Tea St. N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am certain that you will be interested to know that not-withstanding the terrific heat and the vacation period, that the National Emergency Committee for the Raising Funds for the Bethune-Cookman College, has been meeting once and twice weekly, with a fine attendance. This committee under the leadership of Mrs. Bessie Bearden, Mrs. F.K.W. Norman and Mrs. Sari Price Patton, represent the most sincere and enthusiastic group I have worked with in my many years of experience.

We are not only planning for one of the most successful mid-summer benefits on August 13th, but plans are being rapidly completed for the campaign to be carried on by the thirty-five chapters of the Sorority throughout the country.

The Cotton Ball at the Lido Terrace has been extensively advertised throughout New York City, Newark and Brooklyn. A large number of patrons have been secured.

In addition to raising funds, the various communities should be made Bethune-Cookman minded. I suggested to the executive committee that in as much as the various national fraternities have sponsored some worth while project each year, that the Iota Phi Lambda sorority should select Bethune-Cookman College as their project. This was agreeable. We can therefore expect this sorority of active business women, augmented by a citizens committee to work continously for the school.

I - Other activities of the Emergency Committee for Raising Funds under the sponsorship of Iota Phi Lambda sorority and Citizens Committee.

- A - That a general campaign for personal subscriptions should be statted September 1st, and that until that time all efforts should be concentrated upon the benefit affair.
- B - That material should be compiled for the general campaign, such as club lists, names and addresses of both white and colored people whohave money

C - That efforts should be made to secure the names of those active workers who assisted inthe last national campaign and pass these names on to the various sorority chapters.

D - That releases should be compiled and sent out from the national headquarters here in New York City.

E - That publicity should be prepared and other details necessary to carry on successful National Campaign.

F - That arrangements should not only be made by the Emergency Committee in New York, to give during the winter months certain benefits, but that the thirty-five chapters should be instructed to do the same in addition to securing personal subscriptions.

G - That the Emergency Committee should be enlarged so as to include representatives from other organizations and to continue to maintain a small executive committee, which shall meet frequently, and work out eh details thus expediting time and effort.

H - That the field secretary's services will be of most value for an extended period of time, located centrally in New York City, becaude of the enormous wealth in this State, in Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, and the New England States. Also because of the need of his services in connection with the National Set-up

II - Meetings.

A - Attended the weekly meetings of the Emergency Committee for raising funds.

III - Conferences.

A - Frequent conferences with Mrs. Bessie Bearden, Mrs. F.K.Norman, and Mrs. Sari P.Patton in relation to the work.

B - Dr. Alonza King, pastor of the St. Marks M.E. Churc. He seemed quite unaware of the fact that the duties of the last national campaign had been closed and a new one set in motion. I told him of the great desire of the members of the Iota Phi Lambda sorority to carry on for a much needed cause, and the challenge which it presented to these women. Also I told him of the foundation we are laying for our drive in September. At the close of the meeti ing, which lasted several hours in his parsonage, he was in perfect accord with the new set-up. He offered the use of rooms in his church for meetings and his own personal services. He alos invited me to speak at one of his Sunday morning services, also s stating that he would arrange for me to speak at the Ministerial Conferences and meet some of the white ministers as well as colored.

C - Mr. Fallings, N Y.A. director for New York City, He will compile a list of white and colored contacts and serve as a member of the committee.

D - Mr. Cab. Calloway of orchestra fame. I asked him for a contribution. He told me to send him a letter to the Cotton Club after September 8th, where he will be located, and that he would consider the request at that time. He has a great admiration for yo and your work. I therefore expect a favorable response.

E - Confered with Mrs. Pressly, a former student of Bethune-Cookman College, and now married to a sucdessful business man, who has several restaurants. She is shy of public work, but I induced her to serve on the committee, sell tickets for the benefit and also help organize the students of Bethune-Cookman into an Alumni club.

F - Mrs. Mattie Daniels, president of the Florida Circle. She will serve on the committee has sold nine dollars worth of tickets, an will try to raise funds through the club later on.

G - Mrs. W.B.Pinkard, 236 So. 9th Ave. Mount Vernon, N.Y. (colored) a woman of great influence among white and colored people in Westchester County, the richest county in this country. She has become a member of our Emergency Committee and will go with me personally to white and colored persons in that county. in September.

H - Confered with Mr. Hubert, executive secretary of the New York Urban League.
Mr. Craft, executive secretary of the Y.M.C.A.
Father Bishop, pastor of the Episcopal Church.
Mr. Elmer Carter, editor of the Opportunity Magazine.
Mr. Harold Lett, executive secretary of the Newark Urban League.
Mr. Robert Elzy, executive secretary of the Brooklyn Urban League.

All of the above persons will have names available for contacts upon return from their vacations.

I - Judge Miles Page. He will serve on the committee and give contacts. I feel that he will make a personal contribution when the campaign gets under way.

IV- Conferences with white persons.

A - Dr. Harold Paul Sloan, editor of the Christian Advocate, 150 Fifth Ave. He has replaced Mr. Joy, but know you very well. We spent considerable time together. He gave me the names of friends to see and would furnish others. A publication has just been released, listing all the churches namesof ministers and addresses. This he said would be available to me if used in his office.

Dr. Sloan called my attention particularly to the large funds available for some seperiment by the Rockefellow Foundation. He said this information had recently come to his attentions and was now available. He tried to prevail upon me to see Dr. Kepple, I did not tell him that Mr. Newton Baker had conveved the information to me.

B- Called Dr. and Mrs. Henry Atkinson, 70 Fifth Ave. They are in Europe, will return the middle of September.

C - Confered with Mrs. Blum 940 Park Ave., in her apartment, one of your personal friends. She said she had not seen you for a long time, but had thought of you often. Seemed extremely pleased that I called and definitly promised to give a check in October. In addition said that she would give me a list of her friends to see when they return in the fall. She wanted me to tell you that her only son has graduated from college. He was present during our conference, and she told him of the great sacrifices you had made for the education of the Negro andwanted your life to inspire him. She said she would drop you a letter real soon.

D - I have an appointment with Mrs. Estelle Sternberger, 103 Park Ave. tomorrow and expect cooperation. She wrote me a fine letter inviting me to come to see her, after I had informed her secretary that I wa in New York..

E - Mr. and Mrs. Bonbright informed me that they had already contributed.

V - Factional and Statistical Data.

A - Sent letters from my offive notifying the members of the Emergency Committee, of the various meetings.

B - Compiled and wrote the weekly publicity for the newspapers, concerning the benefit affair at the Lido Terrace, August 13th.

C - Secured mailing lists from the National Urban League, Mr. Fallings of the N.Y. A. and Mr. Floyd Calvin of the News Service.

D -Compiled with the assistance of Mrs. F.K.W.Norman, Publicity for the National Campaign, which was syndicated several weeks ago, to nearly one-hundred papers (Negro) through the cooperation of Mr. Floyd Calvin.

E - The names and addresses of nearly five-hundred Negro clubs in Harlem, have been compiled and these clubs will be approached by the committee.

VI- Talks.

A - To the Eastern Regional meeting of the representatives of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority. These representatives from Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Newark, Brooklyn Richmond and other cities, pledge their utmost cooperation to the National Campaign.

This report while comprehensive does not include numerous other activities, which have been necessary in setting up an organization with the dual purpose of assisting the Emergency Committee and planning for an intensive drive among white and colored contacts.

I have a small desk space at 224 West 135th St. and a secretary who is practically giving her time to the work. Such an arrangement provided a place for conferences, meetings records, telephone calls, and a base for contacts.

Mrs. Bearden was under the impression that you would be present for the Cotton Ball, and the committee took the liberty of using your name. I informed them that you would be on your vacation. Mrs. Bearden would like you to send a telegram if you cannot come, announcing your regrets, which could be read that night.

We are to visit Joe Lewis' training camp, just out side of New York. I shall make an effort to have him establish scholarships at the school in the name of his wife. That is if he has not contributed

Sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen
Field Secretary

September
9th
1937

Mr. Cab Calloway
c/o Cotton Club
200 West 48th Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Calloway:

As per my conversation with you at the Apollo Theatre several weeks ago, I am setting forth in writing an urgent request for financial assistance for Bethune-Cookman College, of which Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune is president.

The school is in dire need of help at this time, which accounts for my presence in this section of the country. I think you have had the two-fold advantage of knowing Mrs. Bethune personally and of seeing the College. The institution is fighting to keep its doors open. Our appeal, therefore, comes to one who can fully appreciate our efforts. It is the feeling of those who are rallying to our aid that Bethune-Cookman College must always remain as a monmment to tireless efforts of a great humanitarian.

There is possibly no time in the history of the College that sacrifices from the friends of the school are so essential as at present. It is sincerely hoped that you will give our request your most cincere consideration. Kindly make check payable to the Bethune-Cookman College and send the same to Mrs. Bertha Mitchell, Bethune-Cookman College, Daytona Beach, Florida, or to our New York office, 224 West 135th Street, New York City. If time permits, a personal note to Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, 316 Tea Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., is always encouraging. As you possibly know, Mrs. Bethune is director of the National Youth Administration for colored youths.

Thanking you in advance, I remain

Very truly yours,

Gerald E. Allen,
Field Secretary

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October
21st
1937

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
316 Tea Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I wish to submit the following report of my activities in New York. The following contacts were made and results indicated:

1. Rev. Eugene C. Carder, Assistant Pastor of the Riverside Baptist Church.-- I set forth our need and reviewed briefly the history of the School. He was most cordial and apparently sympathetic. He said that he would make up a list of contacts and send them to me, stating also that the church had an educational fund and gave me a letter to a Mr. R. G. Monroe, who is connected with the Fifth Avenue Bank, and a member of the educational committee.

2. Went to see Mr. Monroe and he told me to put my request in writing and he was certain that the committee, of which Dr. Carter is a member, would give it serious consideration. I have sent the request.

3. Finally contacted Mrs. Percy Ballantine who had just returned for the summer, and was leaving for the winter immediately in Lakewood, Florida. She said she had promised for the past year or so to help the school but somehow had never got to it. I urged her to be very liberal at this time because of the financial situation. She told me definitely that she would send a check. If the check does not come within the next week, would suggest a letter as a reminder.

4. Saw Dr. Robert M. Searle, general secretary of the Greater New York Federation of Churches, in his office at 71 West 23rd Street. I outlined my plans to him in New York and he gave me several contacts, especially urging me to see a Dr. William Jay Schieffelin, who he felt if he did not give me a check would give me valuable contacts because of his family connections. Dr. Searle promised to send me a list of ministers who he was sure would help me, and I could use his name. I received the list yesterday and will contact them.

5. Called Dr. Schieffelin and secured an appointment at his home on Park Avenue. I found that he was quite familiar with Negro Educational Institutions in the South and knew you very well. He declined at first to assist me because he was tremendously busy with other matters and especially with plans to run for a position in the new Council. He asked for the name of a colored man who would serve as vice chairman of his campaign and I suggested the name of Mr. Elmer Carter, editor of the Opportunity Magazine. He called Mr. Carter and secured his services. This cooperation seemed to please him and he told me to come back to his home again the next day, that he would give me a list of his friends to see, and that I could use his name. I received this list, had copies made, and sent one to the school. I am certain that contacts with these persons will make new friends for the school.

6. Several months ago I set forth in my report that as a matter of formality I called Mrs. Sternberger's office and stated that I was in New York as a representative of the school, feeling that this was the proper thing to do since she is the member of the Board. She wrote to me later and asked me to come to see her. A copy of this letter was forwarded to you and also the school. I went to see her and she was anxious for me to help with the campaign. I stated that I had been assigned to a definite task and could not leave it unless so instructed. I was again called into a meeting where Mr. Berend was present and they asked me how I was getting along. I discussed my activities, mentioning certain contacts, among whom was Dr. Schieffelin. Mrs. Sternberger and Mr. Berend stated that they were desirous of securing him as treasurer and asked me to approach him. Naturally I was under the impression that she had a knowledge of persons in New York who would be of service to your larger effort and consented to ask him. Since from your last letter it appears that this may not be desirable, I am certain that he won't mind being relieved of the position because he seems to be very busy with a number of other activities. However, your decision in this matter can await your arrival in New York.

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7. Secured an appointment with Mrs. Ruth Draper of 66 East 79th Street, New York City, and went to her apartment. She will send a check to the school. Would suggest that a reminder be sent if it does not come within a week.

8. Saw Dr. Reisner, pastor of the Broad Temple and he gave me the following contacts:

Richard Colage
Jersey City

Mrs. Pfieffer, and others. He stated that Mrs. Pfeiffer had given a considerable amount to Clark University and that I might be successful if I could see her. Up to this point I had no information. She had been a friend of the school.

9. Secured an appointment with her at her home and she told me that a Dr. Holmes had told her recently that you had secured an assistant at the school and things were going fine, also that the

general education board to which she contributes for Bethune-Cookman had been very generous with the school. I tried to dispell the idea from her mind that the school was getting along in an excellent manner. She seemed pleased to be corrected in this manner and I left without insisting on a check. In my conference with her I could readily sense the great love for you and your struggles and felt that as much as she has helped the school during its critical stages, that you could succeed much better than I could with her. I can assure you that nothing was done in my conference with her that will affect your plans in the future with her. In any instance, where I have had a knowledge that your contact would be more advantageous financially or otherwise I have not made more than an effort. For example, in the case of Mrs. Basset in Cleveland. I merely suggested the establishment of fellowships as memorial to her mother and left the details for you to iron out. Also, in the case of Mrs. Gaehr, a wealthy widow in Cleveland, I took the small check she gave with her word that she would give a larger next year when her estate was settled. I also felt that when she met you that your much greater experience would possibly place the school in her will.

10. Conferred with Dr. Ralph Sockman, pastor of the Christ Methodist Church and he was suddenly called to an important conference and I am to see him again for contacts.

11. Saw Claude Coile and he gave me the following contacts:

(a) Mr. Charles Gay, president of the New York Stock Exchange.
(b) Mr. Chester A. Smith, Robert Barrett, M. H. Gish, all of Peekskill, NY
(c) Mrs. Emma Osborne of Mt. Kisco, NY
(d) Dr. Ralph E. Davis, pastor of the St. Mark's M E Church, Brooklyn
(e) Rev. Phillips Walters, pastor of the Memorial M E Church, White Plains, NY (Rev. Walters' father was a Negro president of a school in the south).
(f) Mrs. Harding, a wealthy widow in Brooklyn. He did not remember her first name but suggested I see Dr. Ralph Davis and ask him to give me the contact.

12. I also secured the name of a Mrs. John Henry Hammond who has an estate at Mt. Kisco, New York, and is president of the Roosevelt Memorial House. She is to be in New York the latter part of this month.

13. Went to see Mrs. Helen Coit who is director of a workers educational program. She suggested we have lunch, at which time she would discuss just how she could assist me. She wants to know more about the program of the school and its work. I told her I would have the secretary send her some literature.

14. I am to go to Westchester County, possibly next week

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where Mrs. N. B. Pincard is to arrange several conferences for me.

I shall put forth every effort to follow up the contacts and secure for the school some worthwhile results.

Sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen,
Field Secretary

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Copy to Mrs. Mitchell

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January 5, 1938

Mr. Benjamin Taylor, Business Manager
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed please find expense report and monies owed up to and including January 5, 1938.

A check for an appreciable amount is very urgent in order to carry forward the program.

Very truly yours,

Gerald E. Allen
Monterey Apartments
351 W. 114 Street
New York, New York
Apt. 1-B

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SINCE NO COMMUNICATION HAS BEEN FORTHCOMING CONCERNING SALARY CHECK DUE AND BALANCE OF PAST ONE, AM SENDING MESSAGE TO STATE DELAY HAS CAUSED MATTERS TO BECOME MORE GRAVE THAN EVER. NOT WITHSTANDING NO FUNDS HAVE BEEN SENT IN, ALL TIME AND EFFORTS AS PER CONTRACT HAVE BEEN GIVEN. NO EXPENSE CHECK RECEIVED EXCEPT TWENTY DOLLARS SINCE SEPTEMBER AND SALARY CHECK AS WELL AS PERSONAL FUNDS USED FOR THE WORK. PRESENT BOOKINGS OF MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE CHOIR MAKE CERTAIN FUNDS FORTHCOMING BEFORE NEXT SALARY CHECK IS DUE. HOWEVER IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO WAIT BECAUSE RENT AND LIVING EXPENSES PAST DUE. IT IS URGENT THAT CHECK BE SENT AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY BY JANUARY EIGHTH TO PAY OBLIGATIONS AND CARRY ON FINE OPPORTUNITY=

GERALD ALLEN 351 WEST 114 STREET APT 1 B NEWYORKCITY.

Mitchell

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THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

January 8, 1938.

Mr. Gerald E. Allen,
351 West 114th Street,
Apartment 1-B,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Allen,

We are indeed sorry that it is necessary in our relationship to acknowledge our inability to comply with the request as per your telegram of January 6. This situation was forecast in our conversation with you in New York on the occasion of the Conference with Mrs. Bethune, you and myself.

We all agreed, due to the financial condition existing, that monies could be expended only as received. It was urged that all possible efforts be expended of at least turning over to the college sufficient to meet your expenses. The demands on the monies Mrs. Bethune has solicited have been many and varied and the thousands she has secured have been utilized in meeting our current operating expenses.

All forces have been working to maintain an even financial keel and despite our endeavors sometimes we are sorely beset.

Obligations of prime importance must be met from available funds. It is the understanding of this office that your account has been handled in the only possible manner.

We are encouraged when you talk of the probable income from your activities and that results may soon be forthcoming. Rest assured that as rapidly as available funds are received from your office, immediate remittances will be made. Under any other circumstance we are forced to ask you to participate in the sacrifice of the hour.

With the hope that the returns will soon be pouring in from your office which will cause all of us to rejoice in the successful carrying on of the work, I am

Sincerely yours,

Acting President.

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THE COMMUNITY CHURCH
OF NEW YORK

Minister
John Haynes Holmes

Study
10 Park Avenue
New York City

January 24, 1938.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Thanks for your cheerful letter received this morning which brings me good news about the busy work that you are doing for the College. I hope some of the letters I sent you may have proved useful, and rejoice that you are so happy at the prospects before you.

It seems to me that you are doing a fine thing in beginning this Choir, and I should think that you would find many engagements for the group. Let me know when the singers are ready and I shall certainly want to work them in some way here at my church. We have no vesper services, but there may be other occasions, however, I shall have to adjust things with our own Community Choral Group, which does a good deal of our singing for us. I shall expect to hear from you again as the work develops.

Very sincerely yours,

JOHN HAYNES HOLMES

Mr. Gerald E. Allen
351 West 114 Street, Apt. 1B
New York City

April 6, 1938

Mr. Gerald E. Allen,
351 West 114th Street,
Apartment 2-E,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Allen,

Thank you very much for your letter of April first. I have read it with interest and understanding.

I am happy to know that you are making plans to study in New York City in the near future. It is our hope that it will not be long before you are in some lucrative position. The Institution will make the statement relative to your affiliation with us, in response to any inquiry that may come here.

We would appreciate it if you would send your compiled list of prospects here. If this information is needed by the New York Committee we will release the material from here. We shall also be expecting the material which you are sending by parcel post.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Acting President.

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Faculty

June [illegible], 1938

Mr. B. L. Taylor,
Bethune-Cookman College.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Here is a letter from Mr. Allen stating that we owe him the sum of $200. Evidently you have not written him about the matter. I cannot understand how he can say we owe him $200. Please look this data up and let me have it so I can write him.

Very truly yours,

Acting President.

P.S. Please return Mr. Allen's letter.

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Faculty
Bot
File

June 4,

Mr. Gerald E. Allen,
551 West 114th Street,
Apartment 2-E,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I was surprised when I received your letter of June 1st. It had been my understanding that you had been apprised of the balance due you on your account. As I remember it the amount due was no where in the neighborhood of two hundred dollars. However, I am writing the Business Office again asking if the statement has not been forwarded to you. If I find that the statement has not been sent to you, as requested sometime ago, I will have it forwarded immediately.

We trust by now that you have been able to make some other connection and that things will begin to look up for you.

With every good wish for your continued success, I am

Very truly yours,

Acting President.

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Special Correspondence Bethune, Albert

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XU *The sender of this Message* authorizes us to say that a TELEGRAPHIC reply is desired

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WIRE IMMEDIATELY CONCERNING RUMORS INVOLVING ALBERT IS MRS BETHUNE THERE=

G D ROGERS.

Albert in no trouble whatever — young boy in ~~city~~ Daytona by name of Burke charged with murder — ~~[illegible]~~ No connection
Mrs Bethune in New York

B N Levering

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A. C. Gause
Daytona Beach, Fla.

August 5, 1939

Albert Bethune
Mrs. M. McLeod Bethune
C/O Miss Mitchell-Private Secretary
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Contract #12958
Dated: 10-12-38
PK-6-38-2,048,022

INSTALLMENTS		PAYMENTS		BALANCE
1938				$211.50
Nov 28	7.05	Nov 25	7.05	
Dec 28	7.05	Dec 30	7.05	
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Jan 28	7.05	Jan 26	7.05	
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September 16, 1940.

Dear Mrs Loring:

I arrived safely and had a fine trip. It is my plan to register this morning. The school is very fine, things are going along fine. They call the new Pres. Buck Benny.

This place is very lively. I have just about gotten straight. I'll have to put in my $10.00 order for my Biology Dissecting set. Please try to get this off to me.

Sincerely yours,
Albert Bethune Jr.

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Nov. 6, 1940

My Dear Mrs Mitchell:

I received your letter this morning, and as usual I was happy to hear from you. I didn't know that Mother Dear was in Daytona. All of the Dems around here are very happy, we stayed up almost all of last nite, listening to the Returns.

An emergency came up thursday and I had to borrow $6.00 from the office, so they are sending the bill home, I accidently broke a show window that will make my bill this month $14.00 to the office and $14.00 to me. Please take this $6.00 out of my allowance. I drew the money out of the office because I had to have it right away. Thanks a million. Things are coming along swell. I am getting along fine in my studies.

Give my love to Marcia and Mr Mitchell.

Sincerely yours.
Albert Bethune Jr.

Family

November 14, 1940.

My dear Albert,

Thank you for your note, reminding me of the payments for board and room. I hadnt known that the dates were different each month but I shall surely keep that in mind - henceforth -

I enclose checks for $14.00 and $14.00. If you will hand in the check for the room-rent and breakage refund to Mr. Gassett he will send the receipt direct.

Did you go to Nashville last week-end? How is Margaret? I receive long, encouraging letters from her and I am so glad to know that she is so interested in her work.

Both Marcia and Mr. Mitchell are fine. Marcia's second month school card shows five A's and five B's. She is doing exceptionally well and in her own mind will soon be ready for college.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

2 enclosures

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ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF Nov. 1940

NAME Margaret J. Bethune.

POSTOFFICE Daytona Beach. Fla.

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Nashville, Tenn.

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Remarks

W. G. Jones
President

L. A. Gupton
Dean

Sending your son to a cheap College of Morticians to save money is like stopping the clock to save time.

Eloise
(Immediate)

Dec. 11, 1940
Box 41
Morehouse College

My Dear Mrs. Loring,

I have a fine trip back, and found every one and everything moving along nicely. We are now studying hard, getting ready to go on our Xmas vacation.

Please rush me a B.C.C. Catalogue right away I need it to get some information for one of my classes.

I'll write more next time, I have to go to class. Give my love to all.

Sent Special Delivery
Dec. 18, 1940

Sincerely yours.
Albert Bethune, Jr.

P.S. My Board was due on the 10th. I owe for one week meal ticket. And I'll need one for this week also. Then I'll need 2 more. Please rush it to me, Thank you.

Faculty

Dec. 17. 1940
Box 41
Morehouse College

Dear Dad,

I received the telegram. Thanks for the Money. My meal tickets had given out. But I was getting along fine. My credit is always good. Mrs Mitchell sent me my Room and Board money to-Day. I paid it to the office and I bought my Meal Tickets. Mrs Mitchell mentioned something about using some of the money for my ticket home, but you have to buy four tickets to get the Discount. So that leaves me $3.00 out of that. My fare is $12.35. There has been no discount for Xmas holidays. All of the gang is leaving Friday nite. I would like to leave at that time also.

A very good friend of mine is planning to come to Florida the last week during the holidays, his family has been swell to me. I am wondering if he could stop with us. He is not the bothersome type. a fine boy. He is a Junior here at Morehouse.

Your Son
Albert M. Bethune Jr.

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Apr. 11 1941

Rent Collection for 614 Sec. Ave.

Central Ins. Co.	$20.00
Mrs. Bertha Mitchell	$18.00
Total	$38.00
10% Fee.	$ 3.80
	$ 34.20

I thank you so very much for your helpful suggestion.

Albert . m Bethune

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ALBERT M. BETHUNE
AMBULANCE SERVICE

MARGRET J. BETHUNE

BETHUNE FUNERAL HOME
605 SECOND AVENUE
DAYTONA BEACH
FLORIDA

TELEPHONES - 1719 - 468

Aug. 2 1941

Dear Loving.

I am sending you the slip for the tax return and I also asking if possible if you can arrange for the contestants to sleep in the Girls Building since the Tennis team from Tuskegee is not ####coming and I will arrange for the men to stay at Mr. Smith's place. They will have their meals at his cafe. There will be ~~four~~ six girls and three chaperones. They will get in Sunday afternoon and leave Tuesday morning. They are all high school students from Ga, S.C. and N.C.

I am also asking you if possible for you to advance ### me $20.00 to get somethings for the house and other things. I will have Mr. Kelly from Ala, and Mr Hueston from Washington also Mr. Elliott from Atlanta at the house for two days maybe three so you see what a awful fix I am in with nothing in sight for at least ten days.

Very Hopefully Yours.

Bert.

A. M. BETHUNE
President

R. W. BUTLER
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Joe [illegible]

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Dec. 2 1941

Dear Loving.

I know you have helped me to the tune of $105.00 andI was in such shape that it really was a God's send but here is my condition. The Funeral home has not taken in any money since the first week in Oct. an that has not been paid as yet and my local accts. have just gotten ahead of me in suc h a way that the people are calling quite often for payments that are monthly behind. Here are a list of the small accounts but run into mone

Hart Furniture Company ________________	$5.00 ✓
Reeves Furniture Co. ________________	$5.00 ✓
Industrial Ins. Co.________________	$5.47
Firestone Company ________________	$5.00
Turk Thompson________________	$15.00
Doby's(Very insistant)________________	$15.00

I have tried to keep up as many things as I could but with nothing coming they have just gotten the best of me. I have not been able to catch up wit them. Now these accounts are small that is why they are so touchy. I don't know what to ask you to do but if Mother has any money in her drawing acct, I know you will help me as you know the shape I am in.

Very Truly Yours
Albert
Albert.

Special Correspondence: Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal

H. K. WRIGHT
COMPTROLLER
740 RUSH STREET

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
WILLIAM S. BOVARD, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. Mary McCleod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman Collegiate Institute,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I have before me a report from the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection Company in which they make the following recommendation:

"Boiler should be covered with asbestos covering and boiler is attended by the students who should be cautioned to give it close attention".

Please let me know when this matter has been attended to.

Yours very truly,

H. K. Wright

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Jan 19, 1928.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune Cookman Collegiate Institute,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am enclosing an inspection report on boiler No. 1 at your school. You will observe that they report the gauge cocks should be renewed and a leak in the return pipe checked. If this has not been done please give it your prompt attention and let me know when the work is completed.

It is important that these matters be attended to promptly in order that our insurance may not be jeopardized in any way.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) H. K. Wright

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Department of Educational Institutions for Negroes

to the

Board of Managers of the Board of Education

Chicago, Illinois, February 1, 1928

P. J. Maveety, Secretary

M. J. Holmes, Educational Director

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR NEGROES TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Chicago, Illinois, February 1, 1928

P. J. Maveety, Secretary

The work of the schools and colleges in this Department has been going on through the year in about the usual way. There has been a general increase in the college departments, and a decrease in the academic and grades. Most of the colleges have no grade work at all, and where it is carried on there is usually not more than two or three of the upper grades. Grade work has been gradually discontinued as rapidly as public schools are being developed to take care of elementary instruction for Negro children. Attendance at some of the colleges has increased so as to warrant the discontinuance of the first two grades in high school, and these are being carried on temporarily. One or two of the colleges will discontinue all but college work in the near future.

Provisions for public education of Negro children and youth are growing throughout the southern states, so that before many years the need of all but college grade institutions will be reasonably well supplied.

Institutions

Gammon Theological Seminary. The President of Gammon Theological Seminary at Atlanta, Georgia, presented his resignation at the last Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees, to take effect at the close of the current school year. The Reverend George H. Trever, D. D., has been connected with the Seminary as Professor or President, for a quarter of a century. His work has been of an unusually high grade, and he leaves with the respect and devotion of the entire student body, and constituency of the school.

The Reverend Franklin H. Clapp, D. D., a graduate of Wesleyan University at Middletown, Connecticut, and Drew Theological Seminary, and at present in charge of the financial campaign in the interest of the endowment of Drew, has been by the Trustees elected as President to succeed Dr. Trever. Dr. Clapp is a man of high scholarly attainments, experienced in the pastorate, and district superintendency, and in general administrative service. He brings to this position maturity, experience, and scholarship. His wife is the daughter of a Congregationalist clergyman, a college graduate, and at the time of her marriage to Mr. Clapp was her father's assistant in his pastorate. Both of them have taken special work in Oxford, England, and at schools in France and Germany. Mrs. Clapp is also a graduate of Drew. They ought to make a great team at Gammon.

Flint-Goodridge Hospital and Nurse Training School. This Hospital is located on Canal Street in the edge of the business section of New Orleans. Its site has been in demand for business purposes, and the Board was at one time offered $250,000 for the property. Not having a place to which the Hospital could be moved, this offer had to be declined. During the year a full block of vacant property adjacent to an important Negro residence section of New Orleans came into the market by the death of the owner, who during his lifetime was unwilling to sell. By authority of this Board the property was purchased from the estate for $77,500. The present location is now for sale with the hope that at least $250,000 may be obtained for it. As soon as a sale can be arranged, building on the new site will be begun. The floods of last spring have had a tendency to check the real estate movement in New Orleans, but it is hoped that before long this desirable business location will again be in demand.

Dr. T. Restin Heath, who for ten years has been the successful Superintendent of this Hospital, was called to the superintendency of Bethany Hospital at Kansas City, Kansas. As this was in the Conference to which Dr. Heath belonged and in the neighborhood where he and his wife were brought up, he accepted the call to Bethany.

Dr. Herbert W. Knight, who for years has been a medical missionary in charge of hospital and sanitary service in India and in Africa, being in the Homeland and the Missionary Board not being in a position to send him out again, was found available for the position. After careful consideration he was selected for the superintendency of the Hospital to succeed Dr. Heath. Dr. Knight has made a good beginning and a fine impression.

Clark University. Half a century ago, Bishop Gilbert Haven, then resident Bishop at Atlanta, purchased 450 acres of land outside the city of Atlanta as a site for Clark University. From that purchase 100 acres have been reserved for the buildings and grounds of the school. The balance has been held for sale. Within the last few years about 250 acres of this extra land have been sold for close to $200,000. Of this amount approximately $160,000 has been put into the endowment of the school and $40,000 set aside for the buildings and improvements deemed absolutely necessary to the growth of the institution. These improvements have been going on through the year. They consist of an athletic field with incidental facilities, major repairs to the present buildings, the shifting of the Library from Crissman Hall to Leete Hall, and the prospective erection of a new gymnasium.

Bennett College for Women. This institution, started a year and a half ago, is [1926] justifying all our hopes. The attendance is double what we had any reason to expect, and the outlook for the future is full of promise. The President, Dr. David D. Jones, and his excellent wife are making a great record. A campaign for sustaining funds put over in the North Carolina Conference brought in $5000 to the institution during the year. This is an indication of the tireless industry and the ability of the President. If the patronizing conferences in our other schools would do as this conference has done, the problem of their budget would be well on the way toward solution.

Samuel Huston College. The Trustees of this school on their own initiative and on their own responsibility have expended $5,500 on an athletic field and grand-stand, and $1800 on a library. They expect to pay these amounts as they come due, without calling on the board of Education.

Walden College. The Trustees of this institution wish to put a financial agent into the field for the purpose of raising current expense funds. As this is a departure from the policy of the Board, the matter is under the careful consideration of the Finance Committee and the Endowment Secretary.

Property Valuations

Appraisal of the value of the buildings, equipment, and grounds of the various schools is in process and will be ready for the report to the General Conference. Reports on the property valuations of the schools are already in the office, but a special survey is to be made by Mr. Wright, the Comptroller, and Mr. C. W. Olson, Jr., a member of the insurance firm of C. W. Olson and Son, in this city, at an early date. These two, as a survey committee will visit each of the schools and with the help of local appraisers check up the valuations now in the office, and make such changes as their estimates of the value of the property may indicate. The present reports on which fire insurance valuations are based, show that the total valuation of the property of the schools is not far from four millions of dollars.

Appropriations for 1928-29

Inasmuch as the office is not yet apprised of the probable total amount to be received for these schools from the World Service Commission for the school year 1928-29, I recommend that the budget of the Department and the budgets of the individual schools be referred to the Executive Committee with power.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR NEGROES

February 1, 1928

This first report of the Educational Director will discuss things begun and still in process. We shall talk shop directly and briefly.

The recent months have been spent in studying the schools with special reference to four main problems: Cost accounting, the organization of the curriculum and faculty teaching load, teaching personnel, and cooperation with other educational institutions and agencies.

1. Cost Accounting. Trevor Arnett's book on "College and University Finance" and other similar studies have resulted in distinct changes in college accounting in the last six years. Following the general method of Arnett's book, with the assistance of Miss Getzendanner, the accounts for current operations in the several colleges for last year have been analyzed as to receipts and expenditures under three heads:

(1) Strictly educational operations, including administrative, instructional, and operation and maintenance of that portion of the plant used for educational work.

(2) Auxiliary departments, including various student activities which are not a part of the strictly educational program, such as Y. M. and Y. W. C. A., athletics, lecture course, and private instruction in Music.

(3) Business enterprises, including dormitory, dining hall, bookstore, and farm.

Within the field of strictly educational operations a further grouping has been made into college, high school, and grade school divisions. This analysis, commonly known as cost accounting, makes possible very definite estimates as to the cost per student in each of these three divisions, and therefore is valuable in helping to determine the fees for board, room, and tuition that should be approved. For example, increases in college tuition suggested for next year include New Orleans College from $25 to $50; Samuel Huston College from $50 to $60; Wiley College from $54 to $75; Clark University from $40 to $50, and to $60 if other schools in Atlanta will increase to the same figure.

The separation of the accounting for business enterprises, especially dining hall and dormitory, is highly important, as they should carry themselves, or if they do not, the exact amount of the subsidy should be known. Good procedure demands that the dining hall shall be fully self supporting, but not that it shall make profits for the school. The present system of accounting which has been highly efficient in the handling of the accounts of these colleges as a whole, is now being modified under the direction of Mr. Wright and Miss Getzendanner to provide for the separation of accounts for various features of the work as noted above. New forms will be printed for the use of college bookkeepers next year. From these forms it will be possible for the Comptroller's office at the close of each year to prepare with a minimum of work a correct analysis of the year's receipts and expenditures by departments and divisions. This analysis in turn will serve as the basis for the budget to be approved for the succeeding year, which is its most important use.

2. The organization of the curriculum, and faculty teaching load. The discussion of this subject is here limited to the college field, where the problems are more complex than in the high school field.

Under the elective system now in vogue, a college curriculum naturally spreads into many fields and over a large variety of courses. The following questions therefore arise: In how many different fields shall a college offer courses? In how many of these fields shall enough work be offered to provide for a major subject? Given the number of students in a school, how many teachers are needed to provide adequately for their instruction? And we must also add, given limited financial resources, how many teachers can a school afford?

Colleges easily fall into difficulty through offering too extensive a list of courses and consequently engaging a larger number of teachers than good educational procedure demands and the finances warrant. Another difficulty appears in the tendency to give most of the teachers the title of professor, rather than having a few professors at the head of a limited number of departments, with assistants and instructors for the remainder of the faculty. These difficulties are by no means limited to colleges for colored youth. They are common in a very large number of medium sized and small colleges throughout the country.

In order to secure the information necessary regarding the present class enrollment and teaching load, the attached blank has been prepared and furnished to the college presidents for a report each term.

The departmental organization of a college of liberal arts should provide nine or ten departments including a department of Physical Education which is responsible for little or no work for academic credit:

English
Education
Natural Science
Mathematics and Physics
Foreign Language
Social Science
History and Political Science
Religion and Philosophy
Home Economics
Physical Education

The ratio of students to teachers should range from twelve to one in the smaller schools, to twenty to one in the larger schools. The number of subjects in which sufficient work is offered for a major will naturally be greater in the large college than in the small college. The following table is presented as a general guide for our schools in the organization of the teaching staff and program of courses:

College Enrollment	Number of teachers	Ratio of students to teachers	Departments	Major Subjects
400	20	20 : 1	10	12
250	14	18 : 1	10	10
150	10	15 : 1	9	6
75	6	12 : 1	9	3

A practical illustration of adjusting a program to the needs of a particular school may be furnished in the study now being made of Philander Smith College. We attach here a copy of the document which has just gone to President Taylor. In the actual working out of the program some changes in this scheme will be found necessary. It has been prepared as a general guide, not as an iron-clad regulation.

3. Faculty Personnel. The central problem of college administration is the selection of teachers. Whether a college succeeds or fails in achieving its purpose depends essentially upon the ability, training, and personality of the teachers. Three things are required: That a teacher shall know well his field and its materials; that he shall have ability not only to impart knowledge, but to inspire enthusiasm in his students in their quest for truth; and that he shall be a person whose very life and character tend to develop strong moral and Christian qualities in his students. There are not enough well qualified teachers to supply the present demand. It is therefore imperative that we study how a larger number of superior college teachers can be trained. This seems to require the establishing of graduate schools in a few well chosen centers in the South. While no specific action is recommended now, the question will doubtless come before the Board of Education in the future. Meanwhile, in the matter of faculty organization, it is imperative that each college faculty include a few teachers exceptionally well qualified by training and experience, the other positions being filled by less mature teachers who give promise of increasing effectiveness. To be more specific: We are recommending to all college presidents that they classify their present faculty into four groups on a basis of their effectiveness as teachers in Christian educational institutions: (1) Those whose superior ability and influence make them indispensable. (2) Those whose work is entirely satisfactory but who could be replaced if necessary. (3) Those whose work would become satisfactory with additional training. (4) Those who do not give promise of becoming acceptable teachers and who should be released. Our better schools now face the increasingly serious situation of losing their best teachers to positions elsewhere paying higher salaries, an embarrassment long familiar to our smaller schools.

This leads to the question of teachers' salaries. Not a single school can afford to diminish by one dollar its budget for teachers' salaries. A number of schools, however, can do one or both of two things: They can eliminate one or more teaching positions on the basis of the table of organization given above, or they can eliminate certain other expenditures, in either case having more money available for teachers' salaries.

At the recent meeting of the presidents of our schools, careful consideration was given to the distribution of the budget for salaries on a plan recognizing a three-fold grouping of teachers: First, three or four heads of departments of the type referred to above as indispensable because of superior ability and influence. A larger salary should be available for these teachers than is now paid any of the faculty. The second group will include the heads of other departments, and in the larger schools two or three of the more experienced assistants, all of whom are competent teachers. The remainder of the faculty, ranked as instructors, will be younger teachers with less experience and maturity, just beginning their career.

Each school president has been asked to work out two practical problems in connection with his faculty organization and salaries: Problem A is to take exactly the amount used this present year for teachers' salaries, adding to it any amount that may be available by reducing expenditures elsewhere. After ascertaining whether there can be any reduction in the number of teachers, he is asked to distribute this amount with reference to the three-fold grouping of teachers so as to secure the most effective faculty possible. This is the actual basis for plans for next year. The principle in matters financial is "Live within your budget". The first task of these colleges is to make sure that their present budget is allotted as wisely as possible, particularly at the point of teachers' salaries. Problem B looks farther ahead. Each president is asked to organize a teachers' budget on paper which he feels is necessary if his school is to command the service of the teachers he ought to have. A careful answer to Problem B will be invaluable as indicating some next steps which must be taken if our schools are to achieve or retain the educational excellence which ought to be theirs.

4. Cooperation with other educational institutions and agencies. The educational work of Methodism among Negroes has for its purpose the training of leaders for the race, with denominational relationships quite secondary. Furthermore, attention is given to fitting each school into the total educational program in the state, so that the work sponsored by this Board is not carried on apart from or with indifference to the educational needs of the state. In many of the states our schools enjoy the full confidence and approval of the state educational authorities. This is particularly true of the states where there is a special department for promoting education among Negroes. The recent survey of seventy-nine Negro colleges by the Federal Bureau of Education includes all of our schools but Haven Teachers College, and is a very important illustration of Federal cooperation.

There are some schools whose program ought to be developed jointly with other schools. Rust College at Holly Springs, Mississippi, with some seventy-five college students enrolled, is endeavoring to build a college curriculum in cooperation with the college department of Mississippi Industrial College of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, with some forty college students. The plan is for each school to relinquish certain fields of instruction to the other school so that their joint program will avoid unnecessary duplication and will constitute the full college curriculum. Each school will be responsible for the registration and care of its own students and for the payment of its own teachers. Each school must be satisfied as to the educational qualifications of all the college teachers. This proposed arrangement is in accord with the provisions of Paragraph 467 of the Discipline. If this experiment works well, it should be a precedent for other situations.

The most important item of cooperation is the long standing arrangement by which the Woman's Home Missionary Society has maintained homes for girls in connection with a number of our schools. The Society has provided, also, instruction in Home Economics for the high school group, and is now making plans for offering Home Economics courses of college grade. Perhaps the most interesting move this year is the plan to establish at Philander Smith College a two-year Home Economics course of college grade for the training of Jeanes' Supervisors, there being now no school in Arkansas where this training can be secured. The teacher for the strictly Home Economics subjects will be provided by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The development of Home Economics courses in the college field is most opportune and is of the highest significance in relation to the training of public school teachers.

All the problems which confront any average college confront these schools of ours for colored youth, with a good many more thrown in. Elementary education for Negro children is in most southern states on a scale much below that for white children. The more effective secondary education still depends very largely on Church and other independent institutions, except in the more advanced states of North Carolina and Texas. In the state of Georgia, of eleven accredited high schools, ten are denominational or independent. Only one is a public high school. In Arkansas, of six accredited four-year high schools, but two are public schools. The record is similar in other states. In the college field, the development has been almost exclusively in the hands of other than state authorities. But a new spirit is now possessing the South. The public is building schools for its Negro youth even into the college level. We may expect to see the story of education in the North repeated again among the colored folks in the South. Denominational colleges and state schools will both have their place.

Methodism has an exceptional series of institutions for Negroes, with good physical properties and with resources, though meager, which have been wisely conserved. The entire income of the Department from the benevolences of the Church, plus all that Dr. Penn and the college presidents are raising, is needed for current operating expenses. The single exception is at Claflin where Dr. L. M. Dunton, former president, is gathering a few thousand dollars each year for the endowment. The imperative necessity making special efforts "to secure permanet endowment for the various institutions", to quote the Discipline regarding these schools (Paragraph 463), must not be overlooked, if their operation year by year is to be stabilized as has been done with all other well established colleges. Higher education as sponsored by the Church must never be less in its efficiency and worth than the best.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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WILLIAM S. BOVARD
Corresponding Secretary

Department of
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
Joseph P. MacMillan
Assistant Secretary

740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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April 5, 1928.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

The responsibility for working out the details of the anniversary program at Kansas City on the evening of May 10th has been delegated to me by Dr. Bovard.

Undoubtedly you have had the suggestion from Dr. Bovard that you bring your academic costume since there will be a procession in which the presidents and representatives of the schools will take part.

Will you let me know, please, as quickly as is convenient, the title of your speech and the time it will take for delivery? In a general way the program now calls for the singing of several hymns, prayer, the responsive reading, and the speeches of President Cowling of Carleton College and yourself. The program is a joint one, as you undoubtedly know, for the two departments of educational institutions. We want to make it as interesting and attractive as is possible, and a nice balance, therefore, is important.

Very sincerely yours,
J. P. MacMillan
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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman Collegiate Institute,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

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April 30, 1928.

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Mr. W. S. Snead, Secretary,
Executive Committee, Trustee Board,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mr. Snead:

I am writing to answer your letter of April 14 suggesting an increase in the salary of your President. The Auditor's office reports that the present salary of the President of Bethune-Cookman is $4300.00, of which $2500 is paid as cash salary, $1200 is paid directly to Mrs. Bethune to cover the item of house rent, and $600 indicated as the living expenses. No other President of a school sponsored by our Board of Education in the South is receiving a larger salary, and most of them do not receive as much. The Committee does not see its way clear to approve the recommendation of your Executive Committee.

An important consideration is the fact that these schools in the South are essentially missionary schools which must depend in large measure upon missionary giving. The $20,000 appropriation by our Board to Bethune-Cookman represents a type of giving throughout the Methodist Episcopal Church which often means sacrifice. Most of this money goes from families whose income is less in amount than the salary and living of your President. Would an increase in her salary help to secure more funds from the Negro congregations in Florida which gave last year $1200 to the school?

Where a school derives a large measure of support from endowment or from the generous gifts of a few donors, I suppose no special limit need be fixed on the President's salary. So long as a school is dependent upon the type of missionary giving referred to above for a substantial part of its operating budget, salaries can be only moderate. The members of the Committee here who know Mrs. Bethune are of the opinion that she would not urge an increase in her salary under the condition. At the same time, I am sure they are very keenly appreciative of the work she has done and the work she is doing.

Certain members of the Committee have expressed the hope that Mrs. Bethune will be able to give her time more fully to the specific promotion of the affairs of the College. They recognize, of course, the service she has rendered as national executive of the women's organizations of the country, and the advantages of a summer in Europe. It is a plain fact of experience, however, in the field of college administration that a President must give practically unremitting service if the maximum progress possible of the school is to be secured.

To Mr. W. S. Snead, Secretary-

Ways and means must be found by which an endowment campaign can be launched. I do not know that any of us see clearly how this is to be done. It is, I think, our major problem.

Again I wish I could have talked these matters over with you.

With kindest personal regards to you, Mr. Mead, and the other members of the Committee, I am,

Sincerely yours.

MJH*D

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May 15th, 1928.

Board of
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Dr. M. J. Holmes,
Kansas City Athletic Club,

Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Dr. Holmes:

Please allow us to thank you for having Dr. Maveety to give the statement which he did concerning the Mutual Life Insurance Company policies, on which we are trying to negotiate a loan for the school.

Attorney Cobb, of this city, is giving us advice on this matter and he asks that we secure from your Board, just as soon as possible, a CERTIFIED COPY OF A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD, INDICATING THAT THE BOARD HAS NO CLAIM OR INTEREST IN THE POLICIES. This resolution may be worded similar to Dr. Maveety's statement, but it must be a resolution, and it must be from the Board of Education, and certified.

If you will further cooperate with us in the matter of securing the aforementioned document, we will greatly appreciate it.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, Executive Committee
of the Trustee Board.

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Bd of Education

Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held June 20, 1928, Chicago, Illinois.

"Whereas, this Board has and makes no claim against insurance policies on the life of Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune in the Mutual Life Insurance Company in favor of Daytona-Cookman Collegiate Inst. be it resolved that the secretary of this Board be and he is hereby authorized to furnish such company a certified copy of this resolution as testimony that said insurance is free from claims by us.

Adopted."

I hereby certify that the above action was taken and is a part of the record of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church

(Signed) W E J Gratz
Secretary

H. K. WRIGHT
COMPTROLLER
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DEPARTMENTS
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THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

May 21, 1928.

Mr. W. S. Snead,
% Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mr. Snead:

Your letter of May 18 was received at the office this morning. Dr. Holmes and his Secretary are both in Kansas City and in their absence we are complying with your request by enclosing herewith a copy of the letter sent you by Dr. Holmes April 30, 1928.

Yours very truly,
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
By Eva M. Willard

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DEPARTMENT OF
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P. J. MAVEETY, SECRETARY
M. J. HOLMES, EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR

June 1, 1928

Board of
Ed—

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Dr. Holmes has asked me to write you concerning the faculty list you sent in recently. He wishes to know the cash value of board and room. While in many cases teachers are paid partly in cash and partly in board and room, in figuring their compensation we take account of the total value including room and board.

May we also have the cash value of the apartment for Andrew J. Polk and the house for J. F. Boss?

Dr. Holmes is doing well now, but will not be back in the office until next week, when he will be here for a part of each day. We are all urging him to be careful, and hope he will give himself ample time to regain his strength before taking up the entire load of office duties.

Sincerely yours,

Florence R. Day
Secretary

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July 9, 1928

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Board of Ed

Mr. W. S. Snead
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Snead:

On June 22nd, just at the end of the last fiscal year, a committee going over matters of faculty and curriculum took up again the recommendation of your Board of Trustees for an increase in the salary of your President, and approved an increase of $200. We assume this will have the approval of your Board, and shall proceed on the suggestion made in your letter of April 14th and shall reserve for the President's salary this additional amount from the total appropriation to Bethune-Cookman College.

We hope to open a way by which Mrs. Bethune may have contact with some of our annual conferences in the North. Out of this contact should come opportunity for additional gifts for endowment purposes.

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

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July 17, 1928

Board of Ed

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Our next regular appropriation check will include $25.00 received from the Primary department of the Sunday School of our Church at Grinnell, Iowa, the Reverend George Blagg pastor.

This is designated for a scholarship in your school

Inasmuch as this is not a designated gift within the meaning of the new legislation, it can come to you only as part of your regular appropriation. You have already had an understanding with Dr. Holmes as to this point. This letter is merely to complete the file in my office.

Very truly yours,

H.K.Wright

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Student Loan Fund

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September 10, 1928.

Pres. Mary M. Bethume,
Bethume-Cookman College,
Daytona, Florida.

My dear Pres. Bethume:

Will it be possible for you to give us the present address of Mr. Edwin J. Moore, who was a student at Cookman College in 1900?

For your convenience in replying, I am enclosing a postal card. We should appreciate your filling it out, giving us this address or that of anyone who might be able to put us in touch with Mr. Moore.

Thanking you for the courtesy, and anticipating an early reply, I am

Very truly yours,

I. M. Swain

Correspondent.

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M. J. Holmes, *Secretary*

740 RUSH STREET
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September 19, 1928

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your letter of September 15th, and your telegram of the 18th, have come to the office during the absence of Dr. Holmes, who will be in on Monday.

We are glad to know you are safe from the storm. We had been following accounts in the papers, and hoped you were not in its path.

You will hear from Dr. Holmes when he returns next week.

Sincerely yours,
Florence R Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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September 24, 1928

Board of Ed

My dear President Bethune:

This is to acknowledge for Dr. Bovard your recent communication. He is on the western coast in extended Annual Conference visitation and will not be back for several weeks.

I am sure he will very gladly visit the school at the very earliest possible date.

With best wishes for a good school year, I am

Sincerely yours,

J P MacMillan

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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October 15, 1928

President Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear President Bethune:

You are familiar with the terrific pressure a falling income puts upon our World Service enterprises.

This coming month the Boards of Foreign and Home Missions hold their annual meetings and make their appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year. They cannot appropriate more than the total receipts of the previous year. The present record in the World Service treasurer's office indicates that the decrease in this year's giving under that of last year will amount to not less than $750,000 unless heroic measures are taken to get additional money sent in. Any such decrease will also open the question of our own current appropriations when the executive committee meets the 9th of November.

The bishops, district superintendents, pastors, and laymen are making a systematic effort to secure 7,500 shares of one hundred dollars each, to be paid in before the 31st of October.

We are all lending a hand in this urgent situation. To pass the annual meetings without further cuts will greatly hearten the Church. If there are any personal contacts you may make or any aid you may render in your local church that will add to the success of this undertaking I am sure you will be glad to help.

Sincerely yours,

William S. Bovard
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April 5, 1929.

Bd of Ed

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

We wish to thank you for your letter of March 28 in which you enclosed our recent check for $250.

When the cancelled voucher was returned by our bank we discovered that a correction had been made in the check, but since the correction was not made on our copy our books showed $250. less than the amount of the check.

We are sorry to have caused Miss Reid extra trouble.

Yes indeed, my visit to your school was very pleasant and interesting, and I am hoping that Miss Getzendanner will let me go with her when she visits you again.

Sincerely yours,

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
by Eva M. Willard

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April 26, 1929

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Mrs. Mary M. Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

No doubt you have heard how critically important it is that the World Service income for May shall measure up to a high level if we are to get away once and for all from the nervous "waiting for the worst" attitude respecting our benevolence income.

The most painstaking care is exercised by all the World Service agencies to awaken an interest throughout the Church in our general benevolences. The fact that such a startling percentage of our Church members give nothing whatever to the support of our World Service causes and that most of us do it irregularly, gives point to John Wesley's famous slogan, "All at it and always at it."

I am sure you will be glad to exercise your full influence in your Church and community to secure the enlistment of as nearly everybody as possible in World Service giving and to have all general benevolence money sent in to the World Service treasury as fast as it is collected.

I have been meeting large groups of laymen and ministers for some weeks recently and I find a growing concern that our great connectional programs shall not be held up for lack of adequate support.

I long to see our Church moving rapidly toward unanimous and continous giving.

Sincerely yours,
William S. Bovard

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Mrs.Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Enclosed find our check of $50.00 representing a gift for your school from Mrs. William Nottingham, 508 University Place, Syracuse, New York.

Will you kindly write to Mrs. Nottingham acknowledging receipt of this gift.

Yours truly,

H. K. Wright

HKW:S

Mrs Bethune

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November 26, 1929

Bd of Ed

Rev. Stanley High, D.D.,
419 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Friend High:

I thank you for your letter of the 15th. We are, indeed, exceedingly anxious to get behind the movement by which Bethune-Cookman College may financially profit. Dr. Jackson Davis was in our office yesterday and we talked the matter over. Just how soon we may be able to team up on that particular enterprise I am unable to say. We have so many conditional situations in connection with our schools for Negroes that the family is getting to be a group of urgent children.

I want to thank you for your personal interest, and I greatly appreciate the cooperation you are giving and will give to this movement.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

William S. Bovard

Bethune-Cookman College,

Daytona Beach, Florida,

December 7th, 1939.

Mr. Reynold Hickarby, photographer from the World Service Department of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is being sent to Bethune-Cookman College, tomorrow and Sunday, December 8th and 9th, to make certain photographs for publicity purposes. According to the outline we have made, Mr. Hickarby will need your cooperation in a photograph of

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Kindly have everything in readiness for this photograph at the time mentioned, and have whatever groups of students you have properly assembled.

H.F. Coleman, Acting Dean.

January 4, 1930.

Bd of Ed

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

I am enclosing herewith, in accordance with your request of some weeks ago, the schedules of the workers in our Music Department.

If there is any item on these schedules that is not clear to you, we shall be very glad to clarify it.

With best wishes for the choicest blessings of this New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

President.

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2 enclosures

January 5, 1930.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Please allow us to acknowledge receipt of your check Number 24881, for $26.61, to be used as a part-sholarship to help Bernard Milton Jones, a member of our 12th grade class. We are deeply grateful for this help for Jones. Enclosed herewith you will find our official receipt for this amount. We have noted the suggestion you have given relative to the future selection of the student to benefit by this annual gift. Next year will try to find a worthy boy or girl in our college graduating class for the grant.

we will notify your office when the oratorical prize should be in hand.

Very gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, Pres.

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January 16, 1930.

Bd of Ed

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

At the regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trustee Board of Bethune-Cookman College, the enclosed Resolutions were presented by the faculty of this Institution. Our Committee is convinced of the need for this expansion and we have adopted these resolutions. We now send them on to you that the matter may be brought before the Division of Institutions for Negroes, of the Board of Education. We do hope that you will see this issue as the faculty has stated it and will use your influence to have your Board to appreciate it.

Let us hear from you as soon as possible on this issue, that we may notify the faculty of your action.

Very truly yours,

President.

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January 16, 1939.

Bd of Ed.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

Thank you very much for your letter of January eighth, calling our attention to the bill that will be presented to us by Mr. B. L. Wolfinger, the amount of which is $27.50. We shall try to be in position to pay this bill at the time it is due.

On December 20, 1929 I wrote you what I considered to be a very important letter, and I have been anxious about not having a reply. I hope this communication has not been mislaid.

I am earnestly hoping, Dr. Holmes, that it will come within your judgment to give us a chance of putting on our third year of college work next year, according to resolutions from the faculty which have come, through the Executive Committee of the Trustee Board, to your attention. I am sure you understand our position. Our enrollment in the college is greatly increased and we are steadily marching forward. We are anticipating a larger enrollment next year.

I wish to call attention to the fact that the Annual Trustee meeting the first Wednesday in March. Notices will, of course, be sent out, but I want you to make your plans so as to be with us for this meeting.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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January 22, 1930.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

In early December you wrote our office for certain information relative to our Department of Music. The schedules of the workers in this department were sent to you some weeks ago, and we are now sending you the detailed answers to the questions you asked in your letter, to be filed with the schedules of the two instructors.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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January 24, 1930.

Dr. M. J. Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Dr. Holmes,

My hands have been so very full since my return to Florida from the East that I have been forced to attend to the matters which I found awaiting my attention, in relays. I am now replying to your letter of November 7th, which stated that the income from the Lyman C. Floyd Fund of $300, which is $10.64 at this time, will be available for use as an oratorical prize for one of our students this year; and that the income from the Mary B. Cookman Fund of $580, which is $26.41 at this time, is available for use as a part scholarship for some deserving student, preferably in the graduating class.

In the case of the income from the Lyman C. Floyd Fund, I think this might well be used as an oratorical prize for students who compete from the senior high school class, in view of the fact that there is an oratorical prize offered in our College department at this time. If it would meet your approval to have this prize given to the winner of the contest in the high school graduating class, we would be very happy to receive it.

We have gone carefully over our list of dependent students for one who is really worthy and needy, to benefit from the income from the Mary B. Cookman Fund. We have decided upon a young man who is in the High School graduating class this year - Bernard Milton Jones, who has been a student in the institution for three years. Jones has been helping himself by assisting in the Music Department of the school. He has real talent on the violin and gives valuable service, not only in instructing violin students, but in helping in the orchestra and band work. He is absolutely dependent upon himself, and even helps care for his mother in the community through his violin work. He is ambitious to continue his work here after finishing high school, and after that to train himself for the ministry. I think we can find no more deserving boy to help in this way. We have been giving him credit for his expenses for the work he has been doing in the school, and this cash credit will help a great deal. If you desire to know more of this young man, we will be happy to furnish additional details.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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January 31, 1930.

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My dear Dr. Holmes,

I would like very much to have you so arrange your time that you may be able to spend one full week at Bethune-Cookman when you come down for the meeting of the Board of Trustees. We want you to take the time to study us here and compare us with the other Negro schools in the State - Edward Waters, Florida A. and M. College and Florida Normal and Collegiate Institute. I would like for you to visit these institutions. In my mind, this is very important, in view of the program we are endeavoring to push forward here.

We really need a week of your time this year, for a systematic study of our program and our problems.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

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February 5, 1930.

Bd of Ed

Dr. M. J. Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Our executive meeting, in regular meeting yesterday, read and discussed your full letter to Mrs. Bethune and the committee, dated January 28th. Not knowing just the date of your meeting there, we wired you as follows:

> EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN SESSION TUESDAY AFTERNOON READ AND DISCUSSED THOROUGHLY YOUR COMMUNICATION MRS. BETHUNE DATED JANUARY TWENTY"EIGHTH - EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE ANTICIPATED HELP THAT MAY BE EXPECTED FROM GENERAL EDUCATION BOARD AND COOPERATION FROM YOUR BOARD - WE HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY ACCEPTED YOUR RECOMMENDATION AND DEFERRED ACTION ON ADDITION OF THIRD YEAR COLLEGE UNTIL ANNUAL MEETING - LETTER FOLLOWS

We want to express again our appreciation to you and your Board for the plan you have submitted. Our Committee voted unanimously to accept the proposition as stated in your letter, with only the following change of statement:

(2) to stipulate the following:

> "That we consider the advantage of a Science Building, having class rooms and laboratories, and space for a Home Economics Department."

In our discussion of your statements relative to the third year of college work, a motion was adopted by our committee to defer action on the addition of the third year of college work to our curriculum until our annual meeting, and to ask the faculty to ask the faculty to prepare a detailed statement of the cost of inaugurating the work of the third year and four year of college work.

Very truly yours,

February 10, 1930.

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Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,

Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Please may I thank you for your good letter of January twenty-eighth. It was very heartening indeed. I took the matters therein contained with our Executive Committee. I am sure you have had a letter from them relative to them. We shall give the very best we have in cooperation to the program that you have outlined. In our minds this is a very decided step forward in the program of Bethune-Cookman College and we are willing and eager to make this step as firm as possible.

We are looking forward to your coming with the hope of working out many of the problems that are now confronting us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 14, 1930.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

Your letter of February eleventh is before me, calling my attention to the fact that our teaching program in the Music Department includes the name of Albert Bethune.

Please may I ask you to look over your schedule again and note the error you have made in this particular. Albert Bethune has never been guilty of teaching anything to anybody. He is taking training in voice in the Music Department and his name was thus listed on Mr. Sykes' schedule, along with that of other students in this department. There is no desire on our part to place Albert in any official position, in Bethune-Cookman College. I am very sorry that you were under this impression. I thought the schedules clearly indicated that there are only two instructors in the department - Mr. Wilhelm A. Sykes, Director of the Department and instructor in some vocal work, choral and organization work and wind instruments; and Mrs. Winona Mason Brown, instructor in vocal and pianoforte work. Please compare the enclosed copies of schedules, which were made with the originals sent to you, and note that the students names in voice, etc. are listed on Mr. Sykes' schedule only as a matter of policy.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, Pres.

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February 20, 1930.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

We shall be very glad to have Dr. C. C. MacCracken, of Ohio State University to look into our work and give us his findings.

We will meet the conditions you have suggested in your letter.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

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February 20, 1930.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

We have noted with interest the contents of your letter of February eleventh. We shall look forward to your coming to Daytona Beach as early as possible.

We have taken note of the coming of Dean Brawley, with a view to studying the general academic program of our institution. We shall welcome his visit and will give to him all of the cooperation that can be given, receiving him as a representative from your office.

We shall also look forward to the coming of Mr. L. H. Foster of Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute. Whenever it is convenient for you to have him come, it will be perfectly convenient for us.

I am very glad that the Board of Education took favorable action on the general plan of cooperating with the colleges in their campaigns for funds.

With reference to Dr. Homan, we have made arrangements with him for three months work, with further service to be based upon the success he may obtain during these three months' experiment. I am inclined to feel that he is a good man - he may not be able to accomplish a great deal at the beginning, but in my judgement, he seems to be a fine type of man to keep on the field for us. Whatever plans you may make for a campaign, from our angle I believe Dr. Homan will be a splendid man to cooperate with us in reaching our goal. We shall, however, place ourselves subject to any suggestions that may come from you and shall be very glad to cooperate in any plans that you may set up.

Since wiring you to come to us for a special Trustee meeting held on Monday afternoon, February 17th, it may be wise for me to state that it became necessary for us to call this meeting because of the continued annoyance of Dr. J. Seth Hills. From information that has come to us, we feel that your office is in the knowledge of the controversy and as soon as the minutes of the meeting are completed, we shall have copy of the resolutions bearing upon final adjustment of the affair sent to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-bml

April 3rd, 1930.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

I am enclosing herewith our proposed Budget of Income and Expenditures of Bethune-Cookman College, for next year, together with the list of proposed teachers and all salaried employees for the same period.

You will note in the latter that Mr. Coleman is listed as "Assistant to the President." As you know, it is imperative that we secure a Dean for our college. We need a man with high literary qualifications - one who holds a Master of Arts degree. Such a man will be needed to bring our academic standing, both in high school and junior college, up to the place required by the State, by other standardizing agencies and by philanthropic boards. On the other hand, we must have someone here to handle the publicity for me, the extension work, the dramatics and public speaking work (which is really publicity) and take charge of our religious activities. Mr. Coleman, having been with us for five years, and being able to interpret my viewpoint on important matters, can serve us well in this place. I do not feel that he will get an opportunity to go to school for his graduate work. I shall be on the field a great, great deal during the time of our campaign, and shall want to feel that someone is acting directly for me in the general running of things, especially in view of the fact that we shall have a new Dean, who will be very busy with the academic work alone. I hope you see the feasibility of this plan. It means another position on our staff, but I believe it is what we must have at this time.

Very sincerely yours,

mmb-bml -encs- Mary McLeod Bethune.

April 3rd, 1930.

Bd of Ed

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Will you be kind enough to send to us, immediately, if possible, about twenty-five Teacher's Application Blanks.

I will appreciate this courtesy.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

mmb-bnl

April 18, 1930.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

In response to your letter of April fifteenth, we enclose herewith the announcement of our Summer Session, which will give you the information you desire for publicity purposes.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

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1 enclosure

April 28, 1930.

Bd of Ed

Dr. M.J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

I am writing you in regards to the prize of ten dollars from the Lyman C. Floyd Fund, which is to be given to the student in the Graduating Class winning Oratorical Honors.

Our Commencement comes on Tuesday, May 27th, at which time all prizes will be awarded. We are, however, making an effort to have all prizes in our office at least two weeks before that time. We will greatly appreciate your sending the above prize before the 15th of May.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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May 9, 1930.

Miss Florence R. Day,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Miss Day,

Please permit us to acknowledge receipt of, and thank you for the check for ten dollars, which is to be presented from the Lyman C. Floyd Fund as an oratorical prize in this institution.

We shall be very happy to send you the name of the student winning this prize, together with the details of the contest which you desire.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-hml

May 14, 1930.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,

Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

We had a very pleasant visit from Dr. Kirk. We sent over to Winter Park for him and he remained on the campus for several hours.

Thank you for your encouraging statement regarding the proposed campaign for funds for Bethune-Cookman College.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 16, 1930

Bd of Ed

Dear Fellow President:

Some sacrifical giving is going to be needed before May 30 if another cut in World Service appropriation is to be avoided. The World Service Commission has suggested that Methodists consecrate one day's income as a special gift to our great World Service program. Such an action upon the part of reasonable numbers of our people will lift the World Service giving nearer where it belongs, and, we might well hope, will at last turn the tide of giving toward more generous levels.

Various groups in the Church are conferring and co-operating to make the suggestion fruitful. Those of us engaged in the educational field are keenly aware of the urgent need that the decreases in World Service giving that have characterized the past few years be stopped. That we as a group might do everything in our power to that end a few of us are taking the liberty of expressing the hope that this matter may be brought to the consideration of the faculties of our educational institutions and that a general participation in the plan by them may result.

The day's wage, in every instance, is to be paid through the local church and be specifically marked as a special contribution to World Service in addition to the donor's pledge or usual support of these great causes.

Very cordially yours,

Arlo W. Brown
F. C. Eiselen
John L. Hillman
Tully C. Knoles
William H. McMaster
Ralph E. Peck
Edmund D. Soper
Levi L. Sprague

May 19, 1950.

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Dr. M. J. Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Bethune-Cookman College has communicated with Prof. Arthur D. Wright, of Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, for the necessary blanks upon which we may make application for the investigation that will be made of certain Negro schools and colleges next Fall.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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May 21, 1930.

Bd of Ed

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

School will close on Tuesday afternoon, May 27th. We will have our last faculty meeting on the morning of May 28th, when we will want to give our teachers their checks.

I am writing to ask if you will be kind enough to have our last check here, at least, by the 26th, in order that we may have no uneasiness about the paying of the teachers. Our checkfor last month was a little late, and you know that these are hard times keep us short.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

mmb-bml

May 22nd, 1930.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

I feel that we have had a most wonderful year of work. I am very much concerned over the fact that we have an eight-thousand-dollar deficit in our budget, but the economic conditions in the State have been of such a nature than the maintenance of the school this year has been a real struggle.

I have written a very full, frank letter to the members of the trustee Board, asking them to send in contributions to us, or use their influence to have others to do so. We have some very annoying obligations which must be paid. Some of them are of long standing. I have fought hard and I am not willing to be threatened with suit and that kind of thing at this time.

I wish it might be possible for you to attend our commencement exercises. You would enjoy them, I am sure.

It is our hope that our request for five hundred thousand dollars for our buildings and endowment campaign, may be approved. It will be so difficult for us to go back into the field for funds after we shall have fostered a campaign for funds, and we are so greatly in need of buildings.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

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June 9, 1930.

Bd of Ed

Dr. William S. Bovard,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Bovard,

We hoped to have seen you this winter. We enjoyed so much your visit last year, and prey that our work has become more real to you since you studied us at that time.

This has been a difficult year for us - in many ways. We have, however, been able to meet with success. We are facing a small deficit, due to the economic conditions, but we are not complaining. We earnestly hope that it is going to be possible for the Board of Education to give us the twenty-thousand-dollar appropriation next year. We are hoping also, that in the definite arrangements that are being made for the campaign for the several institutions, Bethune-Cookman's program of much-needed buildings will be considered. We need a Science Building, a Refectory, Library, Boys' Trades Building and Central Heating Plant. If we can go out for five hundred thousand rather than three hundred thousand dollars, we can provide these very necessary buildings for our work. We feel that once we leave the campaign field, it will be difficult for us to get back, for large amounts.

I know that the best that can be done for us will be done. We shall appreciate the consideration of all of you. I shall not be at the meeting in person, but my spirit will be with you, petitioning each one of you for Bethune-Cookman College.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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June 16, 1930

Bd of Ed

Mr. Ralph H. Long
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Long:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 14th, which has come to the office during the absence of Dr. Holmes. It will come to his attention when he returns on Thursday of this week.

Very truly yours,
Florence B. Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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June 23, 1930

Bd. Ed

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I have your letter and thank you for it. I am more than glad that you have had such a wonderful year and closed the school term with fine enthusiasm. Dr. Kirk, who had the privilege of being with you, has been very pronounced in his words of appreciation.

We have your institution thoroughly in mind in every motion toward increased betterment. I am glad the General Education Board has shown sympathetic interest and is ready to cooperate financially. I am earnestly praying that our great campaign for capital funds may prove to be the salvation of our educational institutions among your people.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

William S. Bovard

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

June 26, 1930.

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Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

May I thank you for your last letter.

I am writing now to say that I have made a very definite approach to President Davis. I think this would be a fine field for him and I know he would mean much to us. I have never pretended to direct the educational program of our institution and we certainly do not need to have any handicaps in our way for progress along this line now. Dr. Davis understands the program of education, he has a fine personality and spirit and he has experience in schools of this system. I shall certainly be willing to pay the salary that will be necessary to secure his services. I shall appreciate the manifestation of any interest you may have in the matter. If we can get President Davis, many of our problems here will be solved.

We are trying to adjust our program so as to meet the suggestions and recommendations that have come to us from technicians during the past year. Whatever is wrong we must make it right. Wherever we are weak, we must become strong. We want to put over a program of Christian education here that makes the closest possible approach to educational standards in this section and in this country. We consider that our work was very successful last year. We were able to secure full cooperation from the people of Florida and of the community. We are now trying to get a strong staff for the coming year, and as soon as I hear from Dr. Davis, I shall submit to you our [illegible] of the teaching staff [illegible]. We are going to need a larger budget for teachers than we have had heretofore. [illegible]

[illegible]

to take? Should an application come from your office or from mine?

There is an imperative need, also, Dr. Holmes, for an annual appropriation from your Board of not less than the twenty thousand dollars you previously gave to us. I am sure you recognize the need for adequate funds for the compensation of properly prepared teachers.

The General Education Board has notified us that $62,500. has been appropriated to our program for buildings. I am overjoyed over this. I just pray that we may be able to start on our Science building next Spring.

I am waiting to hear from you regarding our program of promotion. I hope you may be in position to give me some information along this line in the near future.

We have received a very fine report from Dr. Roemer, chairman of the College Survey Committee from the University of Florida. We are using his suggestions and recommendations in the plan for our work next year.

I have these few weeks here to see after the repairs and other things that must be done. I shall be glad to hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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740 RUSH STREET
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June 27, 1930

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

First of all, my congratulations to you on the action taken by the General Education Board. This gives us a tremendously fine challenge for the Campaign.

The specific action of the Committee of the Board on cooperation with the schools, proposed to cooperate with Bethune-Cookman College in the raising of $100,000 for the school's capital account, in addition to gifts from Foundations. Let me explain the general action of the Committee, and then discuss details involving Bethune-Cookman College.

First of all, its function is to cooperate with various schools in the securing of their funds for endowment and for building purposes. This means that the campaign for Bethune-Cookman College is organized about the College and radiates from it. If the total amount secured in pledges from your prospect list and from Florida generally should not reach $100,000, the Committee of the Board will endeavor to bring the total to that figure from other sources. On the other hand, we believe it is possible from your list of prospects to run the total wall above $100,000. The campaign will be promoted to the best ability of the Committee, with a view to producing as large a total of pledges as possible. It is my judgment that with the start of $62,500 from the General Education Board, some additional help may be had from other sources, possibly the Rosenwald Fund, and that we can expect the total of pledges to run close to $250,000. The question of this total will come up for consideration as plans go forward. There are those who advise that a lower goal should be set, say $200,000. I believe $250,000 is the wiser figure, this money to be used for endowment and for buildings.

In regard to the action of your Executive Committee desiring to fix $500,000 as the goal, I would suggest that it may be wise to recognize $500,000 as the need, with $250,000 as the immediate goal. I believe $500,000 would be an impossible goal at present. I think $250,000 may be reached by straining every effort. Therefore it is enough to undertake at this time. The guiding principle in fixing the goal is that it shall be the largest amount it is possible to secure, at the same time maintaining the goodwill of contributors and friends so that when the task is done they will be proud and grateful of the thing accomplished and the share they had in it.

I am simply reporting my own judgment on these matters. When the campaign actually takes form under the direct guidance of the Committee and Dr. Hancher, these matters may be considerably revised.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

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June 27, 1930

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I was much interested to learn from Mr. W. S. Richardson that you had been in touch with him. I know he is favorably impressed with you and the College. I simply answered his questions and said a few good words of my own in your behalf. I shall be interested in knowing the results of your appeal to him.

Since the interest of the Committee of the Board is entirely at the point of capital fund development, I have said nothing about the $50,000 which it was proposed should be raised for the current budget. Personally, I believe funds sought from the two Negro Conferences in Florida and the Alumni of the school generally, ought to go for current budget purposes. I presume the campaign among Negro people will need to be organized somewhat apart from the campaign among white friends. Moreover, it is highly desirable that the constituency of the school and the Negro people of Florida generally shall help year by year with the current program of the school. This matter will need to be considered in connection with campaign plans.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

MJH.D

June 28, 1930.

Bd of Ed

My dear Dr. Holmes:

In order that we may meet the requirements for standardization of our various departments of work, we must secure well-prepared teachers to do our work. It is absolutely necessary for us to have an adequate budget for our faculty for the ensuing year. With the pressure of our approaching campaign work it will make it very difficult for me to supplement the teachers' budget sufficiently to get these highly-trained people. You suggested to me some time ago that, after a certain time we might make application to the Rosenwald Fund for help on our faculty budget. We need help now and I am wondering if this is an opportune time for the application to be made. I do not see where we can get an increased amount of money to pay teachers from the sources from which we have secured money in the past. Please give me your advice on this matter.

Do you think that we might ask the Rosenwald people also for thirty or fifty thousand dollars on our building campaign?

Let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

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July 7, 1930

Bd of Ed

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

The enclosed letters were carried to the railroad station for quick mailing nearly two weeks ago, and this morning I discovered them in my travelling bag. The fault is entirely mine.

I expect to see Mr. Embree in a day or two and will write you further then.

Cordially yours,

M J Holmes

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July 7, 1930

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Your letter of June 24th asked about plans for the promotion of the campaign. Dr. A. L. Howarth, Superintendent of the Portland District, Oregon Conference, has been secured as general Director for the cooperative campaign. He will be here early in August. Upon his arrival, plans will begin to take more definite shape. We shall raise with him the question of the time for the campaign for Bethune-Cookman. If it is to be launched this coming season, some work must be done in connection with the two annual conferences and plans must be made for approaching the St. Johns River Conference.

In substance, there is nothing definite as yet to report, but there will be after Dr. Howarth arrives.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

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July 7, 1930

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

I discussed Bethune-Cookman College today with Mr. Embree, who states that the Fund is in a position at this time to consider an application for help on current expenses, but not on the capital fund development. I therefore suggest that the second matter rest a few months, and that you concentrate now on the appeal for current expenses aid.

Mr. Embree suggests that you address your application to the Rosenwald Fund, sending it to my office to be transmitted to him. In view of the fact that the campaign is for funds to be raised over a three-year period, I believe you ought to ask for help from the Rosenwald Fund for a three-year period. I think there is no harm in indicating the particular figure you wish. However, they will determing for themselves the figure they will give. In any case, your appeal should be for generous aid.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

July 14, 1930.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

In accordance with your directions, I am sending, enclosed herewith, our formal application to the Julius Rosenwald Fund. I do hope that it will meet your approval and that it will bring us the desired results.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, Pres.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
900 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

July 14, 1930.

President T. R. Davis,
Samuel Huston College,
Austin, Texas.

My dear Mr. Davis:

Since you are contemplating a change from your present location, Bethune-Cookman College is especially desirous of securing your services as Dean of the Academic Department.

I cannot tell you how much we need just such a man as you in this work. I am willing to do everything in my power to have you give favorable consideration to us. It is very difficult for us to secure a man properly prepared and with the experience necessary to direct the academic activity of a progressive institution, where revisions are frequently necessary and where the curricula must be kept up to present-day standards. It is imperative that we secure the right man at this time. I believe that you are that man.

Please let me know if you would consider affiliating yourself with us on the following basis: we would offer you a two-year contract for the position of Dean of Bethune-Cookman College, at a salary of $2700. a year of 12 months, giving one month's vacation in the summer. The salary figure to include the cash payment and the credit for the house which would be provided for you. We pay all salaries monthly.

We need you here, Mr. Davis, and I do hope that you will give us first consideration. You would enjoy your work here, I feel sure, and you would be without handicap in the development of whatever educational program you might have in mind.

Please let me hear from you. Let me know how the offer sounds to you. If your requirements differ from those I have tried to foresee, or if you desire further information, please write me.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, Pres.

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July 14, 1930.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

I want to thank you for the interest you are manifesting in the matter of our securing Mr. Davis for Dean. I do hope that you may be able to direct him this way.

The enclosed represents copy of a letter I have just written to Mr. Davis. When you interview him at the time stated in your letter, you will know just what I have said to him.

I am out of the office for a few days but am personally directing the work as regards teachers and appointments. This is so important and we want to get our staff completed very soon.

We have sent on to you the formal application for aid, to the Julius Rosenwald Fund. I pray that they can give us generous assistance.

With sincere appreciation for your help in all of these matters, I am

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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August 2, 1930

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

I am enclosing a letter received today from Mrs. Estelle E. Roberts of Jacksonville, Florida, and a copy of my reply to her.

If you do not have the proper blanks to use in recommending worthy students for aid from the Student Loan Fund, I would suggest you write to Dr. J. P. MacMillan who has charge of the Fund, for instructions and forms. You will know, of course, whether Pensola Roberts should be recommended for a loan.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

August 2, 1930.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

I hope you are well and all goes well in all of your affairs.

I have been earnestly hoping that we might get some reply from you regarding our repairs. There are many urgent repairs to our buildings which should be made before the opening of next year's work. We asked for at least two thousand dollars to get these matters adjusted. We have just six weeks now before the opening of school and I am sure you can appreciate my anxiety to get the campus in proper shape. I am doing everything in my power to keep things going. Please let me have some word from you on this point.

According to the revision of our program here, in accordance to the recommendations made by the various technicians who surveyed our work last year, we are completing our faculty list. This list will be sent to you in a few days. It has been necessary for us to secure workers properly trained for the various lines of endeavor that we must foster if we are, ultimately, to receive the approval of standardizing agencies. We believe that this revised faculty will meet our needs. You will note that we have not secured a man for dean as yet. We regretted exceedingly that we could not get Dr. Davis. The Tennessee State Normal was able to pay him a larger salary that we could, or possibly it was not a question of money; he made no definite requests of us. I am sorry to see a man like him slip out of this kind of work into State work. We need strong men and women in our church institutions.

Dr. Holmes, it is vitally important that we shall get some place for our Science and for our Dining Room and Kitchen. We may be able to fight along without other things. If the additional sixty two thousand five hundred dollars can be secured we can get our buildings started at a very early date and can actually save money for labor and material are down at rock-bottom prices now. I am just wondering if there is any source from which the church organization may not secure this amount to stand with the amount which is to come from the General Education Board, in order that it may come to us at this time when we need it so badly. Something will have to be done to meet the need of the boarding department for next year.

I had a talk with Mr. Arthur at the meeting of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools in Petersburg two weeks ago.

wished very much that you might have attended this meeting. It seems imperative to me that you should be present at the annual meetings of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools. It would give you a very wide vision of what the Negroes are thinking along the line of educational development. Mr. Arthur advised me that even though we have made application to the Julius Rosenwald Fund for ten thousand dollars per year for three years, we should make application, some time in August, for sixty two thousand, five hundred dollars on our building program, to cover the gift that will be made by the General Education Board. He advised that we make application of Mr. Embree, through your office, for this amount or for whatever they may feel inclined to give. Remembering your letter concerning this matter some weeks ago, I am writing you now for your further advice, in view of this recent conversation with Mr. Arthur. You know, I do not wish to make a mistake.

Bishop Keeney is to conduct the meeting of the Atlanta Area Council here on October 14 and 15. The members of all of the conferences of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida will be here. If it is possible for you to be here at that time, to meet the Florida conferences, I think it will be an advisable thing to do.

On these two important issues concerning which I am writing you now, I would appreciate an early reply - first, the matter of our repairs for the summer and second, the matter of securing sixty two thousand five hundred dollars to cover the gift that will be made by the General Education Board, in order that we may start our buildings very soon.

We shall be sending to you in a few days copy of the educational survey we have had made, looking to the future development of our program. We desire your cricitisms, your advise and finally your approval of this survey. Kindly give the matter your prompt attention when it reaches you, for Dr. Brierley is waiting for it.

May I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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August 8, 1930.

Dr. Jackson Davis,
General Education Board,
61 Broadway,
New York, New York.

My dear Dr. Davis:

Mrs. Mattie T. Scott, who was connected with our faculty during the 1929-30 scholastic year as Registrar and Associate professor of Mathematics, and who has been appointed to the same place for the 1930-31 term, is making application to your Board for a scholarship for graduate study during the scholastic year 1931-32.

I am sending this letter to recommend Mrs. Scott for consideration in this particular. She is a young woman of unusual possibilities, having to her credit several years of successful teaching experience. She rendered very satisfactory service to our institution and we are looking forward with pleasure to her return for the coming year. Should you find it within your power to grant her this opportunity for graduate study, her educational expansion as a result of this further development would fit her for admirable service.

I do hope that you will use your influence to have your Board to give favorable consideration to Mrs. Scott's application.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

MMB:

August 9, 1930.

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Dr. J.P. MacMillan,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. MacMillan,

Will you kindly send me the proper blanks, together with the instructions necessary for recommending worthy students for aid from the Student Loan Fund.

I know very little about this Fund and any information you give me will be greatly appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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August 20, 1930.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

I am sending you the revised list of our faculty for the ensuing year, for your observation, information and final approval. Our Executive Committee has given its approval to the line-up.

I would like so much to hear from you relative to the important matters concerning which I wrote you some weeks ago.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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September 2, 1930

My dear President Bethune:

Thank you for your willingness to help us in the collection of old accounts. Whenever you can assist us, we shall gladly let us know.

Will you kindly ask Mr. Coleman to read carefully the letters and literature sent you recently? As you know, no candidates should be recommended for aid until after the fall meeting of the Board.

Sincerely yours,
Pearl Montgomery
Loan Clerk.

President Mary M. Bethune
Bethune COOkman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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September 5, 1930

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

The purpose of this letter is to summarize briefly the steps that have been taken in preparation for the campaign whose object is to increase the capital fund resources of our Methodist institutions for Negroes.

The first action was taken by the Board of Education in February, 1929, pursuant to certain specific recommendations in the annual report to the Board. A Committee, with Bishop Nicholson as Chairman, Bishop Jones, Dr. Race, Mrs. Phillips, Dean Holgate, Dr. Bovard, and M. J. Holmes, was appointed. Very careful consideration was given to many of the angles involved. A number of proposed plans were, after due consideration, rejected as inadequate. By the time the year had elapsed and the Board was convening in its annual session, February, 1930, the Committee was ready with recommendations covering the general scope of the campaign, the main lines of procedure, and particularly the importance of securing an experienced and able administrator to give his personal direction to promoting this great enterprise. After thorough and favorable discussion, the Board approved the recommendations presented, added to the Central Committee above named Bishop Thirkield and Bishop Hamilton, and formally gave the Committee "the authority to carry on and supervise this movement, to select the necessary agencies, and to decide the details."

The Committee, thus empowered by the Board of Education, at once invited Dr. John W. Hancher as the one man, whose experience in philanthropic financing generally, whose experience in promoting campaigns for Methodist educational enterprises in particular, and whose knowledge of the Methodist Church and its great projects, qualified him as the best of all choices for guiding this movement. In close relationship with the Central Committee, Dr. Hancher has steadily pushed matters ahead.

This will be one of the most significant campaigns ever conducted under the direction of any Board of our Church. It will be a difficult campaign. It will be necessary to create some of the conditions for success. We believe success is possible.

The procedure will probably involve first of all a quest for funds for those institutions whose offers from the Foundations have been standing longest. Then the case of other institutions with more recent offers will be promptly taken up, followed by campaigns for other colleges, until each institution has had some measure of help for its capital funds from this movement.

Without doubt Dr. Hancher himself will be in touch with you as plans proceed. He and the Central Committee appointed by the Board will, of course, have your cooperation and that of your associates in this great adventure.

Always sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

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THE EPWORTH LEAGUE AND
YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK
BLAINE E. KIRKPATRICK, SUPERINTENDENT

September 5, 1930

Dear Fellow-worker:

We must decide very soon on the dates for the 1930 Institute Council of Deans, Managers, and Life Work Secretaries. I am sending the enclosed card for your vote on the question.

The traditional date has been the first week in December. There are some considerations which make it seem advisable to postpone the date, holding it the week of December 8th. There is an important conference of the International Council to be held the week of December 1st. Also, some requests have come in from Institute officials asking that the Council be held a week later.

There is also a feeling that we might set the opening date ahead to Tuesday instead of Wednesday. Will you kindly vote your choice in each case on the enclosed postal, and mail immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Owen McGeer.

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Enc.

P. S. If you have been succeeded in office for next year, will you kindly pass this notice on to the one taking your place.

"YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK FOR YOUNG PEOPLE"

September 9, 1930.

Mr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

Some time ago I wrote you for your suggestions in the matter of the advisability of our filing an application with the Julius Rosenwald Fund for help on our building program. You thought that it was not timely at that time. I have since written you concerning the matter, but have had no reply.

Our need for buildings is so acute, I have written the enclosed application and am sending it to you, according to your instruction. I hope that you may feel that it is now timely to file the application, even though we do have another application in the hands of the organization for help on budget expense. If so, kindly see that the application is properly placed.

I have sent copy of this application to Mr. George K. Arthur.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bd of Ed

September 15, 1930

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I have your gracious invitation to the opening of the scholastic year which is to take place on September 17th. I wish it were possible for me to be present. That will not be possible this year.

I extend heartiest felicitations and best wishes for a great year in your school.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

William S. Bovard

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1661 Jay St

Albert Pick Barth Co

(Send copy of this letter)

September 23, 1930.

Albert Pick and Company,
1200-28 West 35th Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

On September 5, 1930, I wrote you a letter, requesting the privilege of opening a personal account with your firm, in order that I might get some linen and other supplies for my little hotel. I stated that I would make payments on the account monthly, of whatever size you might designate. I have had no word from you in reply to this letter, and I am writing again to make this request. The following was the order that I gave that I wished to have sent on the terms above requested:

~~2~~ 1 dozen double bed sheets, similar to your #582078 purchased two years ago, with name HOTEL ALBERT stitched in blue - 14.60
(2008) (81x99) — 30 extra name

2 dozen single bed sheets, same quality, with name HOTEL ALBERT stitched in blue - ~~[illegible]~~ - 5~~[illegible]~~6 - 63x99 inches
11.95 - 2001 — 30 extra name

2 dozen bath towels - about 18 x 30 inches, white, with HOTEL ALBERT stitched on end in blue - 30x - @ 3.00 - per doz
.15 " " name

5 dozen hand towels - medium size and weight - huck - white, with HOTEL ALBERT stitched on end in blue - @ 1.60 per dozen -
.15 extra for name etc.

2 dozen tan check cotton blankets, with HOTEL ALBERT stitched in blue - @ 6.75 - 5E843 =
.25¢ dozen - for name
72x108 - 1.70
5E2209

3 dozen crinkle spreads - 1 dozen for single beds, 2 dozen for double beds - White, preferably with scalloped edges, with HOTEL ALBERT stitched in blue

1.80
5E2211
(Colored)

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25 pairs ecru or cream scrim curtains - medium quality @ 1.60 pr
33 x 2¼ yds - Ecru

3 dozen pillow cases - quality of sheets, with name HOTEL ALBERT stitched in blue
3½ dozen - [illegible]

4 cotton and wool blankets, with name BETHUNE stitched in blue
@ 6.85 - 5E971 -

1 dozen sheets, quality of above, with name BETHUNE stitched in blue [illegible] [illegible]

1 dozen pillow cases, quality as sheets, with name BETHUNE st[illegible] in blue or white [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] - [illegible]

#2 - Albert Pick and Company -

2 dozen hand towels, good quality - @ $1.80 - 5E393 -
17x32

4 white crinkle spreads - not necessarily with scalloped edges - 5E - 2385

Please [illegible] from you. I am pleased with the quality of your goods and would like to get these supplies from your firm.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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September 24, 1930

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

On October 14th and 15th I shall be in Daytona Beach with Bishop Keeney. Dr. A. L. Howarth and Miss Winifred Willard will be there also, and possibly Dr. Chassell. At that time we can go over with you and your committee some of the questions involved in the forthcoming campaign. Meanwhile, perhaps the following statements and suggestions will help answer your questions.

First of all, there should be a committee appointed from your local Trustee Board, which shall be authorized to act for the College in developing plans for the cooperative campaign. This committee certainly must include the President of the school, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and the Chairman of the Executive Committee. There are a great many details in the working out of the campaign which will need to be handled by this group in conference with Dr. Hancher and his representatives.

The main campaign which you contemplate is for $250,000 for capital fund purposes, half for building, half for endowment. Toward this objective you have the conditional pledge of the General Education Board for $62,500 toward the building program. The Central Committee on Campaigns for Negro Schools, appointed by the Board of Education, has selected eight institutions as those which should have first consideration in the general movement, and has included Bethune-Cookman College among the eight. Of the amount formally approved as the goal for these eight schools, $100,000 is the amount designated for Bethune-Cookman College. This leaves $87,500 of the goal approved by the Board of Trustees as the amount not included either in the General Education Board's conditional offer or in the responsibility cooperatively assumed by the Central Committee of the Board of Education.

The purport of the action by the Central Committee is to assure that every effort will be made to realize $100,000 as the minimum amount for Bethune-Cookman. At the same time, it is our hope that the list of prospects supplied by you will yield considerably more. In fact, we hope it will yield enough to cover the remaining $87,500. Bethune-Cookman will have the help of Dr. Hancher in pressing the campaign among these prospects, with a view to realizing this entire amount.

The following questions will need discussion when we are together next month:

(1) Initial expenses. Plans will be made for the initial financing of the campaign, these expenses to be recovered later from the proceeds of the campaign.

(2) The matter of calendar should be discussed. If possible, the time for the intensive campaign should be fixed, and the schedule of steps leading up to it.

(3) The question of organizing the campaign in the two Florida Conferences, the proceeds of which are to be for the current budget of the school. No doubt the general movement for capital funds will reduce in some measure your usual income from special gifts. The purpose of the $50,000 item for the current budget is to fill in the gap thus created in your usual receipts.

(4) The $62,500 which must be secured to match the gift from the General Education Board would properly come from the $100,000 recognized as the minimum goal of our cooperative endeavor. Of course we hope that the movement to secure funds from the very fine list of prospects you have furnished will make the larger total possible.

(5) Finally, I think it is important that you wire our office, so we may receive it by Friday noon, that you and your Trustee group pledge hearty cooperation in the cooperative campaign; that a definite statement concerning your building program will be sent following Bishop Keeney's meeting with the Trustee group October 14th; and that your own committee on cooperation has been appointed, or will be at that time, as the case may be.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

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740 RUSH STREET
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September 25, 1930

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Christian education is the first and chief purpose of the Methodist Episcopal Church in maintaining its colleges and secondary schools. Success in this purpose is measured not only in individual lives, but in the help returning students give to the home church and to community welfare generally. What program of instruction and what general conditions of life on the college campus are most valuable in helping the students and faculty to accept a definite responsibility for strengthening the cultural and religious life in the territory served by the school, and in order to accomplish this to seek for themselves right personal standards? In one form or another this question is continually arising. It is therefore proposed that this be a major question for study throughout the year on each college campus.

We propose that a study of this question should begin with an inquiry as to the personal problems of the students. Since these problems are closely related to the general situation in the communities from which the young folks have come, there should be an inquiry also into typical community needs, especially those which college students may be able to help meet in the first five or ten years after leaving college.

With the problem before us, what is being done, and what new things should be done to meet the situation? What courses are offered for credit in the fields of Philosophy, Ethics, Sociology, and Religion? Do these courses help the student in working out his own philosophy of life? What courses are provided which will enable the student to make a contribution to his local church and its program in the community? What organizations are there on the campus whose purpose is to encourage the religious life of students and to give a chance for the expression of religious and social impulses, and what are these organizations accomplishing? What opportunities are there and what new opportunities should there be for maintaining the student's contact with actual church work during college days? The term "church work" in this connection is to be construed as covering the whole range of a church's helpful relation to its community. Such questions as these outlined above are at the very heart of the interest of the Church itself, and of all right-minded friends of Christian education.

Although business and financial matters press in upon every college administrator and demand much of his time, and although considerable attention will need to be paid to financial collections and campaigns, the ultimate goal of this effort is in the successful training of our students who shall go out as citizens with Christian ideals.

It has been proposed that during the year a conference be held on campus religious interests, to include perhaps four from each institution - the President, one faculty member (preferably the teacher in the field of Religion), and two students. Experiences of various schools can be compared and more aggressive plans developed for this aspect of the work. Meanwhile, we strongly advise each institution to give this matter careful attention and study.

This final personal word: Paul, in writing from Ephesus, stated that he planned to stay a while in that city because there was a great opportunity there, and there was much opposition. (See First Corinthians, 16:9) Your opportunities are great; so also are your difficulties. May you have the reward this year of seeing fine things accomplished in the lives of students and faculty.

Sincerely your friend,

M. J. Holmes

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September 26, 1930

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

We are enclosing check for $780.00 to apply on repairs, from the special repair fund. This makes a total of $1,780.00 which has been sent you for repairs from this special fund.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

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740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

October 3, 1930.

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To the Loan Officer:

The information requested below should be in our hands not later than October 18th. It is required for the preparation of our report to the Committee on Student Loans in the making of allotments for 1930-31.

Yours very sincerely,

J P MacMillan

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Name of institution: Bethune-Cookman College

How many students have you enrolled? 225

How many of these students are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church? 87

What is your yearly tuition? $40.00 for Junior Coll.
$30.00 for High School

What is your estimate of the average annual expenditure per student? (board, room, tuition) $205.00

Estimated number of requests for each year as indicated below:

Freshmen 1 Sophomores 2

Juniors ______ Seniors ______ Total 3

Estimated need for Student Loans:

Maximum $400.00

Minimum ______

Date 11/6/30

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Loan Officer.

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October 3, 1930

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Thank you for your very gracious invitation for our committee to meet at Daytona Beach. Because of the schedule of others, it seemed best to fix Atlanta for the meeting, and I presume we shall need to hold to that for the 13th. I can well understand that you would need to be at the College in preparation of the Area meeting.

I shall be glad to have your own suggestions in addition to those of the committee, when I see you on the 15th.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

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October 28, 1930

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

In the absence of Dr. Holmes, I am acknowledging receipt of the Education Survey for Bethune-Cookman College, by Harry M. Griffin, Architect. This will be brought to the attention of Dr. Holmes when he returns to the office Tuesday of next week.

Sincerely yours,
Florence P. Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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October 29, 1930.

Mr. H. E. Wright, Comptroller,
Board of Education of the M. E. Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Wright:

I must secure a Bond, such as is issued by reliable Companies to persons who have the responsibility of handling large sums of money for organizations or corporations, and I am seeking of you advice as to the Finance or Security Company to which I should make application for such service.

I would like, if possible, to follow the policies of your office there as nearly as possible. I shall appreciate your advice in this particular.

Very truly yours,

E. Rebecca Reid, Business Manager.

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November 8, 1930.

The Julius Rosenwald Fund,
900 South Homan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Attention: Mr. George R. Arthur

Dear Sir:

For four years I have served as office secretary and filing clerk in the President's office of Bethune-Cookman College. I am a graduate of the high school of this Institution and have completed three semesters of junior college work here. My business training has been largely practical and was secured during the three years I acted as student assistant in this office, prior to my appointment to the position I now hold. My experience consists of the time I have spent here and six months as office secretary in the office of the Phillis Wheatley Association, Cleveland, Ohio. I am ambitious for fuller preparation for my work, in order that I may meet standard requirements and render greater service to my school.

I hereby make application for a scholarship from the Julius Rosenwald Fund, for study during the summer of 1931, of secretarial and commercial courses, or if possible a scholarship to study during the year 1931-32. Mrs. Bethune, the president of Bethune-Cookman College, recommends me for consideration. After the term of study, I would be re-employed here.

I am twenty-four years of age and in good health. I worked during my high school and junior college training, my full way through school. I am entirely self-supporting.

Whatever consideration you may give my application will be deeply appreciated, for it will enable me to fit myself for greater usefulness in my chosen work.

Very truly yours,

Margaret E. Johnson.

Julius Rosenwald Fund
900 SOUTH HOMAN AVENUE
CHICAGO

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GEORGE R. ARTHUR
ASSOCIATE FOR NEGRO WELFARE

November 12, 1930

My dear Miss Johnson: In reply to your letter of recent date making inquiry about a scholarship for the study of secretarial and commercial courses next summer, may I say that we have no plans as yet for these scholarships. I would suggest that you communicate with us again in the Spring.

Very truly yours,

Virginia Heywood
Secretary to Mr. Arthur

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Miss Margaret M. Johnson
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

November 20, 1930.

Dr. J. P. MacMillan,
The Board of Education of the
Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. MacMillan:

Your letter of November 17th has been received in the absence of President Bethune from the office.

I shall be glad to bring it to her attention upon her return next month.

Very truly yours,

Bertha N. Loving, Secretary.

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December 4, 1930

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President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

The Methodist Episcopal Church is very much a church of the common people. Its income inevitably reflects general economic situations. Under the present wide-spread economic depression, World Service receipts would be expected to diminish, and this is exactly what has been happening. The returns from World Service for the Board of Education for July, August, September, October, of this year, were exactly $76,742.00 less than for the same period the preceding year. Inasmuch as the department of Institutions for Negroes receives about one-fourth of the funds of the Board, this means that the receipts for our department for the four months noted were $19,000 less than for the same period the year before.

During the last fiscal year, which ended June 30th, the Board of Education used $252,261.01 for the department of Institutions for Negroes. At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board in June, in anticipation of diminished income, certain reductions were made, on the basis of which a budget for the present year was worked out providing for the use of $229,000 in this department. Letters were sent out in September to each President, reporting the general situation, announcing the expected appropriation to the school for the year, but stating the possibility that even the figure proposed might not be fully available.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee in November, in view of the diminished receipts noted above, the question of budgets for every department of the Board was called up for reconsideration, and further reductions were ordered in every department. After due deliberation and much discussion, the amount which could be disbursed by this department from World Service receipts during the current year was fixed at $202,889. This is a reduction of $50,000 below the figure of last year. It is plain, of course, that the Board of Education cannot disburse funds it has no expectation of receiving, and it could not act otherwise than it did.

The matter, however, must not stop here. There are some things which this office can do, and there are some things which each College President can do. Two or three institutions may be able to adjust their budgets so as to absorb an additional reduction in the appropriation from the Board. Other schools cannot absorb such a reduction. Therefore special efforts must be made to secure funds from other sources. This office will do everything in its power to find special funds so that the reduced appropriation from regular sources, plus the special funds that may be secured will together amount to the figure indicated in my correspondence with you in August. So much for what this office purposes to do.

What can you, as College President do? If the Presidents of the schools could sit down together, I believe such recommendations as the following would be agreed to, in a determined effort to effect every economy possible for the balance of this year:

1. Not to contract for the purchase of anything without which the school can get along.

2. In so far as possible, to buy only those things which can be paid for in cash, thus avoiding any increase in future obligations.

3. If a worker (teacher or other employee) drops out, to engage no new employee if it is possible to carry the work by someone already on the staff.

4. If possible, to shift one or more workers to outside jobs. Sometimes one or two teachers can be dispensed with because of limited enrollment in certain fields of study. If it is possible to secure a public school position for such a teacher, the teacher should be transferred to the new position.

In addition to such economies there should also be a positive and sustained effort to bring in funds. In certain aspects of this endeavor, faculty members can be of great assistance. Methods will include:

(1) Personal solicitation on the part of the President and others, by mail and especially by personal visits.

(2) A stronger appeal than ever to the supporting Annual Conferences for help on the current budget. In every case the supporting Conferences ought to be informed of the emergency, not in a way that tends to create panic or loss of confidence, but in order that the supporting public, knowing that a real emergency exists, will bring the best support possible. In addition to what may be done during the year, Commencement time should be made a period for general ingathering of funds for the school.

(3) Plan during the winter or spring one or two rallies for students, teachers, and friends, with special reference to securing funds for certain items in the College budget, preferably for library books, laboratory supplies, or other much needed equipment. This should strengthen the morale of the school, as well as its equipment.

I am sure other considerations will come to your own mind. Meanwhile, be assured that we will do all we can to help you carry on. Our first endeavor will be to make good the proposed appropriation figure of September, even though that full amount cannot now come from regular sources.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

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December 11, 1930.

Mr. H. K. Wright, Comptroller,
Board of Education of the M. E. Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Wright,

May we thank you for your kind attention to the matter of our boiler accident. The Insurance Company has had the repairs made, and we have installed the safeguard device , at their suggestion, which will prevent a recurrence of the accident.

We are giving herewith the details of the boiler installed in our Boys' Dormitory - Cookman Hall. We feel that this boiler should be insured also, as it is of the same type as that one in the Girls' Dormitory. The description is as follows:

American Radiator Company Ideal Water Tube Boiler. No. Heater - S -2908. No. Sections - 8. Rating Square Feet - 2800 Series No. 4-B.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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December 23, 1930.

Dr. W. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

First, I want to wish for you the choicest blessings of the season. May I express also my appreciation for the opportunity I had of seeing you during the Seminar. That experience was a very rich one for me, as I hope it was for others.

My visit to the White House Conference was stimulating and informing. I feel that great good has been accomplished through this medium.

May I thank you for the several notations that have come to me from you and for the interest that you are manifesting in all that we are trying to do. We congratulate ourselves on the results of our application to the Rosenwald Fund. They have been very generous and kind to us. This is indeed a vote of confidence.

I think the returns from our five weeks of work in the East have been remarkable, according to the conditions of the time. I have been able to turn in to my office $8,310. I received notice this morning from a friend interviewed when I was there that, on the fifteenth of January he would send to us $1,500. This will bring our total up to $9,810.

I have taken up very earnestly, with our students and teachers, the economic conditions prevailing at this time. We are all buckling down to a program of strictest economy, trimming as closely as possible in all directions. We are all willing to make any necessary sacrifices in order to carry through our year's work successfully. If we cannot find sufficient money to take care of our salaries as they are fixed at present, we are all willing to make such reductions as will become necessary to bring us through. One [illegible] it becomes [illegible] necessary [illegible] with this [illegible] wish [illegible] of our [illegible] along this particular line.

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ciate the service we have endeavored to render to the State and Country. The Negro citizens of the State are planning some kind of demonstration to show their appreciation for our work. Times have been so difficult that they have not been able to have it at the time first set but I think they will have it on the twenty-second of February. At that time the opportunity will be presented to effect a state-wide line-up in an efficient manner. Such propaganda is very good for our institution.

The four presidents of the Negro colleges in Florida have been called to meet with Dr. Roemer at Edward Waters College on the thirty-first of this month. I dont know the object of the meeting but I shall be very glad to give you the results of it after I shall have attended it.

I hope you are going to make it convenient to come down here once or twice this winter to help us in shapening the plans for the furtherance of our work. I dont know what is going to be said or done regarding the proposed summer normal here but we want to hold ourselves in an attitude of readiness for service in this particular if we can cooperate with the State. I have decided, however, that I shall not attempt to personally try to raise the budget for conducting a summer normal. If the money can be provided we shall be very happy to do what we can otherwise.

I have read with a great deal of interest your letter to Dr. Dillard, on the proposition of the Atlanta Graduate School. I think your discussion was very far-seeing and you made a very definite appeal and recommendation for the consideration of Clark University and Morris Brown. I am very glad that you discussed it in the manner in which you did. I hope that all of the courage, tact and strength that you may need will be given you in order that you will be able to get a fair decision to Clark University in this fine educational combination. We must not be left out of this. Just do not let Presidents Read and Hope close the doors to her. They may have the influence that money brings but public opinion has something to do with it also. Have personal conferences with Dr. Dillard, Dr. Brierley, Dr. Jackson Davis and Dr. Arnett. I believe the issue may be successful. Please let me know the developments. I had John Hope on tip-toe the last time I talked with him about this matter, because he could give me no reasons, except that Clark had been indifferent.

Dr. Holmes, may I call your attention to the fact that Mr. Bright has written that [illegible] Tabernacle, of Jacksonville, has sent in fifty dollars to the Board for our institution, but he did not indicate that it was on his appropriation to our institution. You know that this money should come to us as part of the appropriation from his church and the only way we can meet current expenses is through the help of these churches. You know that some of these men are a are too stubborn to regard the conference ruling, and instead of sending the money directly here, they send it on to Chicago. Please, Dr. Holmes, have this money returned to Bethune-Cookman College, because you know that this is the provision that is made to enable us to carry on our work in the face of the fact that our appropriation from the general Board has been so severely cut. I am sending a copy of Mr. Wright's letter to Dr. Walker, in order that he may understand that your office makes the disposition of these matters as is indicated. Dr. Walker simply desires to have his own way of handling things.

I think some definite and tangible work was done for the institution while I was in the East. I am glad to report to you that I found things at the school in very fine condition upon my return. The program had gone forward in a most interesting manner and even though Mrs. Birkstiner, our teacher of education passed away suddenly as a result of an acute heart attack and Mrs. Scott, our registrar, was the victim of a serious automobile accident, our faculty carried on nobly. The physical plant is in splendid shape and the spirit of the student body and faculty is gratifying. I am convinced that things can go on here all right when I am away.

Now, I hope you are going to have a very pleasant and joyous Christmas and a prosperous and happy new year. May the blessings of the God Whom we love and trust and serve come to you and yours and to the many institutions in which you are so deeply interested.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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Dr. A. L. Howarth,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

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December 23, 1930.

Dr. A. L. Howarth,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Howarth,

I suppose you will feel that our folks in Florida do not know what they want to do after you have read this letter.

I am writing to inform you that the State-wide project planned for the 29th of December has again been postponed and will be held on the 22nd of February. It is no easy thing to work out such a project as this and it cannot be done quickly. It takes organising and reorganising to get it properly worked out as the promoters desire. They feel that a date during the Christmas holidays would not be conducive to the success of such an affair and the several conferences in January would prevent their staging it during that month. Hence, they desire to have it on the 22nd of February.

I am writing this letter hastily so you may not feel that you should get to Florida on the 29th for this affair, but may come at a time closer to the conferences, the dates of which I do not have in my mind.

I know you will be very glad to learn that I have heard from the Julius Rosenwald Fund and that they are granting us five thousand dollars on our current budget for this year. I have received another pledge of fifteen hundred dollars also from an Eastern friend, to be sent in on the fifteenth of January. When this is received, the total from our work in the East will come up to nine thousand, eight hundred ten dollars - this amount being exclusive of the five thousand from the Rosenwald Fund.

I have not had a talk with my executive committee since you left. I hope to see them, possibly tomorrow afternoon.

We shall be happy to see you whenever you desire to come to us. We shall have to let the folks work out their State project in their own way.

Wishing for you the choicest blessings of the Yuletide season, I am

Most sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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December 27, 1930.

Dr. Joseph P. MacMillan,
The Board of Education of the
Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. MacMillan,

Thank you very much for your letter of November 17, which was called to my attention upon my return to my office on December 15. My hands have been so very full that I have not had a previous opportunity to thank you for this communication.

While I regret, of course, to note the information in regard to Mr. Coleman that you have given me, I thank you for bringing this information to my attention. It is a delicate situation but I shall do my very best to get Mr. Coleman to regard this obligation in the proper light and settle the matter satisfactorily. In the meantime, I shall try to get someone else to act in the capacity of loan officer, for I feel that many of our students need and deserve the consideration of help of this kind and they will repay the loans. And I can fully appreciate the fact that the loan officer must in fact be one who will regard these responsibilities in the most serious, businesslike way.

I do hope that the new year will bring you the maximum of blessings of health, happiness and prosperity.

Very sincerely yours,

December 29, 1930.

Miss Florence R. Day,
Secretary to Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Miss Day,

Will you be kind enough to send us a supply of the application blanks for prospective teachers in our institutions.

I shall appreciate this kindness.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, Pres.

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December 29, 1930.

Mr. Albert E. Kirk,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Kirk,

Upon my return to my office on December 15th, after my six weeks' stay in the East in the interests of our work, my attention was called to the discussion of your educational survey , prepared for the Advocate and other papers, which you so kindly sent to me.

I have been very, very busy since my return and have not had time to read this survey carefully. I shall, however, go through it and use any part of it that I may see fit, as you have suggested, within the next few days.

With best wishes for the choicest blessings of the Yuletide season, I am

Most sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Special Correspondence : Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Chur

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January 8, 1931

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Dr. Holmes has had very little time for the answering of correspondence since your letter of December 23rd arrived, owing to conferences and meetings which usually fill the days after Christmas. I am therefore letting you know the letter arrived, and will be on Dr. Holmes' desk when he returns from his present trip. He is in Atlanta now, as you know.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,
Florence R. Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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January 23, 1931

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President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

We have just sent out to a pastor asking for information concerning our schools, the last copy of "An Upward Climb", the Bethune-Cookman pamphlet. Will you please send us fifteen or twenty of these pamphlets if they are available?

Thanking you, and with best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,
Florence R. Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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MEMORANDUM TO THE COLLEGE PRESIDENT

January 27, 1931

In considering the engagement of faculty members for next year, we suggest that you review carefully the need in the Department of Music. Three years ago we compiled the records of receipts and expenditures for the work in Music in all the schools, and found that the receipts were $8,229.93, and the expenditures were $20,672.01. In only one institution did the receipts equal the expenditures. In some cases expenditures were from four to six times the receipts.

There is a service which a teacher of Music must render to the school as a whole in developing choruses and glee clubs, and in connection with chapel and other group singing. It would be a fine thing if funds could be provided so students who have particular talent in music could have training without undue cost. I firmly believe in the value and the advantage of provision for training in the field of Music.

Turning from the more ideal plan to the hard facts of our practical situation, can the present service rendered in the field of Music be supplied another year with less cost to the school, and, at the same time, without diminishing the advantage to the students?

Sometimes a teacher of Music can be secured who lives in the city and who will give individual lessons to the students of the institution at a cost of ninety per cent of the fees collected. In some cases where one full-time teacher in this field is employed, an assistant may be secured on the arrangement suggested.

Is there a suggestion here which will aid in arranging the budget for next year?

M. J. Holmes

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February 3, 1931

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Mr. Brierley has raised with me the question as to the details of the building program at Bethune-Cookman College, and particularly as to proposed buildings toward which their contribution is to go. On the basis of a plan to raise $250,000, half for endowment and half for buildings, they promised $62,500. The first building planned was to be the Science Hall, with possibility of quarters for the library also. This was estimated to cost $125,000. Since then, new plans have developed for the library.

Before answering Mr. Brierley I think I ought to see you and possibly local members of the Executive Committee. With this in view, I am planning to be in Daytona Beach on next Monday, February 9th. I have the impression your plans have gone far enough so that this question can be answered quite definitely, and if it develops that money for the library unit is to be available soon, I think we can claim the funds of the General Education Board quite promptly.

I think our conference Monday can be informal. I do not understand that new action of any kind is to be taken. We shall simply determine the facts in the case to be presented to Mr. Brierley.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

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February 3, 1931.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

In connection with a boiler breakdown at one of our schools, we have received a letter from the New York Indemnity Company, severely criticizing the way the firing has been done.

It may be that there are other institutions where the firing is being done by students, and in order that you may fully understand the seriousness of faulty boiler-tending, I am handing you a copy of the insurance company's letter. Will you please place this in the hands of the man who is in charge of your boilers and urge him to give very careful attention to all that it contains. I am also enclosing a bulletin on "Summer Care of Steam Boilers" which you will want to place in the hands of your engineer.

Yours very truly,

H K Wright

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February 18, 1931

Sent 2/21/31
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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President, Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

If convenient for you to do so, I would appreciate your sending me a copy of the report prepared by the State University people involving their recommendations for Bethune-Cookman College.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

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Februaru 22, 1931

President Mary M. Bethune
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Letters reached me at Marshall via the office from Mr. Gatch and Dr. Chassell which prompted my telegram to you. The telegram requested that you send to Mr. L. N. Gatch, Union Central Building, Cincinnati, Ohio, and to me, a copy each of the revisions proposed for the charter. And in view of Dr. Chassell's letter I am requisitioning $1,000 of the May appropriation check to go forward now and thus provide an advance for cmapaign expenses.

I am hoping to be with you again in about a week.

Sincerely yours,

Merrill J. Holmes

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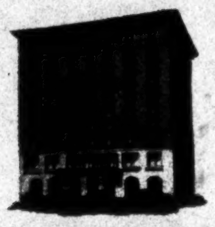

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ANDREW A. SMITH
RESIDENT MANAGER

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SAVANNAH, GA.

HOTEL SEMINOLE
ROY McCOMBS
RESIDENT MANAGER

WRITTEN FROM THE HOTEL SEMINOLE
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

On train
3/6/31

Dear Mrs. Bethune

You will presently receive via my office the blanks for reporting next year estimates for budget. The committee is to meet March 17. I recognize the time is very short. Since you have just gone into budget matters I hope it will be possible for the estimates to reach me by that time.

With kindest regards I am

Sincerely yours

M J Holmes

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March 9, 1931

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

On March 17 the Committee on Institutions for Negroes of the Board of Education will meet to pass upon the budgets for the Department and for the schools for next year, and to recommend an appropriation schedule to the Executive Committee which will meet in April. It is important that a proposed budget be submitted by you for consideration at this time.

The enclosed budget form appears in two divisions - receipts and expenditures. Please report receipts for the year 1929-1930, and estimate your receipts for 1931-1932 conservatively. Please leave blank the items of receipt from the annual conferences and the Board of Education.

The second division is for estimates of expenses. In view of the fact that we are only part way through the present year we ask that in the first column you show the actual expenses of the year which closed in June, 1930. Please note this is to be a report on "expenses" and not "expenditures." "Expenditures" refers to the money actually spent during the year. The reports which have come from Miss Getzendanner throughout the year are in terms of "expenditures." The term "expenses" refers to obligations actually incurred during the year. It includes all salaries, all supplies of every kind purchased, all bills charged for coal, water, and light during the year. The figures you have, therefore, to enter in the first column should coincide quite closely with the reports turned in to Miss Getzendanner so far as salary items are concerned, but may not coincide where other items are involved unless the institution has been operating on a balanced budget.

In the second column please enter your expected expenses for next year. The experience thus far this year should be of considerable help in preparing the estimates for next year. Under the head of salaries you will enter the total amount. Please submit an additional statement listing the positions to be filled and where possible with names and the salary for each position. In cases where only one or two names are involved, the names can be entered on the present blank.

At the present time many a college president is distracted by the pressure of unpaid bills and is not able to give his best service to his task. It is very clear that every school must materially reduce its expenses next year. Even assuming the same income from church sources which have been promised this year, it is more than probable that every school will face reductions in their income next year.

Following the meeting on March 17 information will be sent to you concerning the action of the committee on your proposed budget.

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes
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March 18, 1931

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Your letter of March 11th, concerning Dr. Roemer's statement, is at hand. The action of your Trustee Board giving approval to the general plan for institutions of higher education in Florida, paves the way for you to make formal request for aid from the General Education Board. I understood from Mr. Jackson Davis that it was in their mind to give, to such of the Florida schools as approved of this report and accepted it as a general plan of action, the amounts recommended in the report.

I suggest that you write Dr. Roemer, asking him how to proceed, and that you follow his advice in making the approach to the General Education Board.

Our office has direct contact with the W. M. Welch Manufacturing Company, and probably can secure quotations on scientific equipment a little lower than most other houses, because of the large number of institutions related to the Board of Education.

Probably your best house through which to purchase library books is the Methodist Book Concern. In this latter case, however, you may wish to submit your list to more than one house.

Congratulations on the prospect of special aid from the General Education Board!

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

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March 23, 1931

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

As Dr. Holmes is now in the South and will not return until Easter, I am sending your letter on to him.

I very much enjoyed my stay in Daytona Beach and getting acquainted with Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,
Florence R. Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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Board on the Library and Adult Education of the
AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Executive Offices: 520 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago

March 27, 1931

Mr. Merrill J. Holmes, Secretary
Institutions for Negroes
Board of Education of the
Methodist Episcopal Church
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Holmes:

We have looked over the blue prints for the library of the Bethune-Cookman College, at Daytona Beach, Florida, which you sent with your letter of March 23rd to Miss Wendell.

We should be glad to have you call at the office as soon as you return to the city, in order that we may go over these plans. We must say that viewed from the standpoint of library service they are rather unsatisfactory. We frankly believe that these had better be discarded entirely and a new lay-out started. We cannot believe that the architects have consulted any of the literature on planning college libraries.

Cordially yours,

F. K. W. Drury
Executive Assistant

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#23653 April 11, 1931

President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Sir:

We would like to get in touch with Miss Etoy L. King, whom we believe was in the employ of your College in 1920.

If it is possible, will you send us her address or the name and address of anyone who is able to put us in touch with her? Enclosed you will find a postal card for your convenience in replying.

Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

B. H. Young

Correspondent

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April 18, 1931

To the College President:

When the Rainbow Division entered the Argonne Forest in October, 1918, the artillery units had six horses for each cannon and four for each field kitchen. When they left the Argonne, it was with but four horses for a cannon, hitching a field kitchen on behind.

Our colleges are engaged in just such an encounter, with decreased resources. Very plainly our schools will need to operate on reduced budgets. The following suggestions are based upon the deliberations of the Committee of the Board of Education on Schools for Negroes:

1. That the number of faculty and other employees be reduced, and that this reduction be pushed to the extreme as an emergency measure for next year. It is possible for well qualified, competent individuals to carry an extra burden, in fact, an overload for a year if necessary. This means that each college should be deliberately under-manned as an emergency matter.

2. For the most part, only those students should be received who can pay their tuition, board and room in cash. Presumably, not more than ten per cent of these items should be provided for through scholarships and through work paid for by the College. Of course students who find work away from the campus are handling their payment to the College in cash.

3. It is very urgent that each institution which has a deficit shall reduce that deficit during the coming year. Some of the institutions are under the great embarrassment of having practically no financial credit in their respective communities because of deficits. The only answer to such a situation is in greatly reduced expenditures. The school which is able to reduce its indebtedness, even though operating on a kind of skeleton program, will be ready to take prompt advantage of improving conditions as economic matters turn to the better in the following months.

In these present days the Board of Education, through the Better Schools for Negroes movement, is seeking and will secure new funds. Prospective givers, particularly of large amounts are very apt to try to satisfy themselves as to the business policies of the institution they propose to aid. This is a time, of all times, when each school should have its business affairs well in hand, provide a budget which includes at least part of the deficit, then be able to show that it is living within that budget.

This general letter is a supplement to the more specific letters now going to the colleges reporting actions taken by the Committee concerning various institutions.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

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April 30, 1931

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President, Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

I am to be in New York City next week, at the Prince George Hotel for a few days beginning Tuesday, May 5th. Thinking that you may be there, I am sending this note. If you should be in New York, I shall wish to see you.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois
May 5, 1931

To the President:

In view of the special appeal being made in May for World Service contributions throughout the Church generally, we think it would be wise for each President to write a personal letter to a select list of his friends, especially pastors in the North, with a view to securing designated gifts for the college of which he is President. I do not have in mind a long list - possibly a dozen, possibly fifty names.

It is significant that a steadily increasing proportion of gifts for World Service causes are now being designated to particular fields or particular institutions. There is no appeal more effective than that of the College President, where our own schools are concerned.

These gifts must come from individuals (not Sunday School classes or from public collections of any kind) and must be designated by the individual to a particular school or to the Department of Institutions for Negroes of the Board of Education. The gift may be sent direct to the Board of Education, or direct to the World Service office. In either case, it will be passed on promptly to the college named.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

Secretary, Institutions for Negroes

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May 6, 1931

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

There is now available for use by Bethune-Cookman students, $34.42 scholarship money. If you have nominations to make, we shall be glad to forward the money.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

MJH.D

answered
6/9/31

740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois
June 6, 1931

Dear President:

If we mistake not, there has not been reply to our letter of May 20th asking for the attendance report as of May 1st. This report is designed to show the actual attendance during the closing month of the school year. The matter is urgent. May we please have your report promptly?

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

Secretary, Institutions for Negroes

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To President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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June 9, 1931

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Will you please send me the list of positions to be filled for next year, and the proposed salaries? This report should include teachers and all other employees.

Please indicate plainly any amounts being saved by the elimination or combination of positions.

We need this report for the study of our Committee before final contracts are signed, and therefore will appreciate a prompt reply.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

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July 15, 1931

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

The following day letter was sent to you this morning: "First checks of new fiscal year were issued yesterday. Finance Committee will probably approve advance on appropriation of thirty five hundred dollars. Please forward full list bills and notes payable."

The Finance Committee has approved a check for $3,500, herewith enclosed, as a first payment on the appropriation payable for the new fiscal year. The Finance Committee is very reluctant to see any portion of this year's appropriation claimed for last year's bills. In view, however, of the request coming from the Trustee Board last spring, this check has been authorized.

You doubtless have put in the mail by this time a list of the bills and notes payable. Will you kindly report just how the $3,500 which is herewith enclosed is used?

The Board anticipates that the amount available for institutions for Negroes this coming year will be two-thirds that which was appropriated last year. The distribution of the fund is consequently on a two-thirds basis. The appropriation for Bethune-Cookman College is therefore $9,300. It is customary to send the appropriation to the schools in nine monthly checks, and to deduct any advance payments from the earlier checks of the school year. Collection of student fees and Annual Conference collections are normally better in the fall than in the spring. The schedule for the payments to Bethune-Cookman College therefore should be as follows:

Advance payment	$3,500
January check	650
Five checks, February, March, April, May, June, @ $1,030	5,150
	$9,300

A separate communication will deal with the question of budget and organization for next year.

I hope you are able to protect yourself sufficiently against the demands of the school so as to assure some measure of rest and therefore steady progress to full health again.

Sincerely yours,
Merrill J. Holmes

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DEPARTMENT OF
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FOR NEGROES

MAY GETZENDANNER
Auditor of Schools

420 Plum Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio

Sept. 8, 1931

Mrs Bertha M. Loving,
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Miss Loving:

I had a letter from Mrs Bethune asking me to come down to Daytona at least one week before the 21st which I understand is your opening day. It will be impossible for me to get there by that time, for I must be at Claflin on the 14th for opening day, and will be held there for at least one week - perhaps longer, but if you will be sure to give receipts for all money received, and bank all money received, I will get your books in shape as soon as I can get there.

If you have any reason to communicate with me, you will reach me at Claflin, after the 13th of September until further notice.

Yours sincerely,

May Getzendanner

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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740 Rush Street, Chicago

October 21, 1931

To the College President:

You have doubtless heard of Mr. Embree's recent book, "Brown America", and I hope you have access to a copy. He has lifted the whole subject out of the usual level of conflicting prejudices onto a higher plane of a new and developing racial group. The book is written in fascinating style. It interprets in a very happy way the progress and future of this racial group.

Mr. Embree has asked me to name a few white men, preferably in the South, of influence and prominence who would likely give the book a sympathetic reading, and whose point of view would be helped by this discussion.

I hope first of all you can read the book yourself. Then I wish you would send me the names of one or two white men in your region whom you nominate to receive a complimentary copy. In making the nominations, please characterize briefly each man, giving the reasons why it would be valuable for him to have the book.

I should like, also, your own appraisal of the book, which can be given in a single sentence if you wish.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

Secretary, Institutions for Negroes

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November 4, 1931

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President, Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

In accord with the proposal made some time ago by you, we desire to have on file here a complete list of subscriptions to the capital fund campaign of Bethune-Cookman College. I do not refer to the pledges given by the Negro constituency for current budget purposes, but to the pledges secured, I think, entirely from white friends in the campaign under Dr. Howarth's direction. We should like to have the report show the name and address of each subscriber, the amount subscribed, and the amounts paid.

Sent
Oct 1st
1931
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We should like, also, a monthly report showing additional payments during the month, and any new subscriptions or payments received on this fund. I believe I left with you on the occasion of my visit, a statement showing the procedure which the Central Committee asks shall be followed in handling collections and making reports covering funds secured in the local territory of the schools.

Sent
Nov 1,
1931
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With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

MJH.D

For Mrs Bethune's attention

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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

November 10, 1931

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
President, Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee, November 5th, the recommendations of the Central Committee on the Campaign were approved, by which the aggressive prosecution of the Campaign under Dr. Hancher's direction, is for the time being suspended, with the idea that each school which has conditional offers is entirely free to continue its own campaign as it may find best. In connection with this readjustment, Dr. Howarth becomes available for work directly with the Board of Education.

It is agreed among us, with Dr. Howarth concurring, that the most important objective now is the securing of current funds to reduce the obligations of the schools and provide for funds needed for the current budgets. This being so, Dr. Howarth will be available for work in connection with institutions who might need his help in approaching their prospects. He will also be available for general work with the Board of Education. While his immediate objective will be the securing of funds for current budget purposes, he has in mind, with the approval of the Board, that this matter shall be handled with proper reference to the interests of the capital fund campaign, so that the way will not be closed to later interviews on the capital fund matter.

Dr. Howarth has been with me today. I understand he has had some discussion with you as to helping in your fall campaign in and around New York. Doubtless there are a number of prospects who could best be approached by the two of you. There may be others who ought to be approached by only one of you, either you or Dr. Howarth. We are advising him to give from ten days to two weeks for his work in New York, in accord with such plans as you may work out together. If he can finish his work with your prospects in one week, he will be free that much sooner for other work.

You are familiar with my approach to the General Education Board for funds for current budget needs. We shall not know until the middle of December what the outcome will be, and of course no statement can be made which implies even that the General Education Board will give this aid. Suffice it to say that if this aid is given, it will doubtless be on a basis of a conditional offer which will need to be matched by funds from other sources. We are also cultivating other gifts, and fully expect by January to have additional funds in hand which will be over and above the present appropriation promised by the Board of Education.

I wish to suggest, in fact to ask, that where possible the contributions you are securing now for Bethune-Cookman College be paid to the Board of Education for the College, in order that it may be a matter of record on the books of the Board. The advantage of this appears purely in the matching of funds which may be secured from other sources. The fact that these contributions pass through the Board of Education will in no way effect the Board's appropriation, and will not, of course, be reported as funds contributed by the Board of Education.

We are so confident of the securing of funds from other sources, that we hereby assure that for every thousand dollars raised for Bethune-Cookman College for current expense purposes, and sent to the Board of Eeucation for transmission to the school, $250 will be provided as an additional contribution from other sources. That is to say, if $10,000 is raised for Bethune-Cookman and transmitted to the College through the books of the Board of Education, the Board assures an additional amount of $2,500 from sources other than its regular appropriation.

We shall desire that the travel expense and salary of Dr. Howarth, while he is working on the prospects of Bethune-Cookman, shall be charged to the receipts. Adjustments can be made between the College and the Board of Education, however, for the paying of these expenses out of the funds which come to Bethune-Cookman on the basis of the assurance given above, namely, the $250 for every $1,000 raised.

I hope I have set forth the above with sufficient clearness so as not to be misunderstood. I mean to say that where funds are secured for the current budget of Bethune-Cookman College and paid to the Board of Education for immediate transmission to the College, a supplemental sum of twenty-five per cent of this amount is assured from other resources. The transmission of funds raised for Bethune-Cookman College will not be delayed at all by the Board of Education. The supplemental sum will follow a little later.

If this reaches you in Daytona Beach, I shall appreciate a wire from you at once indicating when Dr. Howarth ought to join you in New York.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) M. J. Holmes.

MJH.D

C O P Y

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois.

November 10, 1931

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President, Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee, November 5th, the recommendations of the Central Committee on the Campaign were approved, by which the aggressive prosecution of the Campaign under Dr. Hancher's direction, is for the time being suspended, with the idea that each school which has conditional offers is entirely free to continue its own campaign as it may find best. In connection with this readjustment, Dr. Howarth becomes available for work directly with the Board of Education.

It is agreed among us, with Dr. Howarth concurring, that the most important objective now is the securing of current funds to reduce the obligations of the schools and provide for funds needed for the current budgets. This being so, Dr. Howarth will be available for work in connection with institutions who might need his help in approaching their prospects. He will also be available for general work with the Board of Education. While his immediate objectives will be the securing of funds for current budget purposes, he has in mind, with the approval of the Board, that this matter shall be handled with proper feference to the interests of the capital fund campaign, so that the way will not be closed to later interviews on the campital fund matter.

Dr. Howarth has been with me today. I understand he has had some discussion with you as to helping in your fall campaign in and around New York. Doubtless there a number of prospects who could be best approached by the two of you. There may be others who ought to be approached by only one of you, either you or Dr. Howarth. We are advising him to give from ten days to two weeks for his work in New York, in accord with such plans as you may work out together. If he can finish his work with your prospects in one week, he will be free that much sooner for other work.

You are familiar with my approach to the General Education Board for funds for current budget needs. We shall not know until the middle of December what the outcome will be, and of course no

#2 - Copy of Dr. Holmes letter of November 10th, 1931.

statement can be made which implies even that the General Education Board will give this aid. Suffice it to say that if this aid is given, it will doubtless be on a basis of a conditional offer which will need to be matched by funds from other sources. We are also cultivating other gifts, and fully expect by January to have additional funds in hand which will be over and above the present appropriation promised by the Board of Education.

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With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) M. J. Holmes.

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Sent / Nov. 13

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
of the
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
740 Rush Street, Chicago

November 10, 1931

To the College President:

In conversation with Mr. Arthur D. Wright of the Slater Fund a week ago, he spoke of his plan to write to many of the colleges, asking certain questions concerning their budget needs for the year. He suggested that he might leave the inquiries involving our schools to a communication from this office. I advised, however, that he write direct to each of our schools as he is doing to other institutions.

I now have before me a copy of the letter which has gone out from his office. Will you kindly send to me, as soon as possible, an exact copy of the reply you make to him? If you have not heard directly from him, please write me to that effect at once.

I feel that four principles should govern your analysis of your own situation:

(1) As exact estimate as possible of expected receipts for the present year. This estimate should be no more optimistic than a conservative appraisal of the situation warrants.

(2) Each school ought to make sure that every possible economy has been effected. If, in view of present enrollment there can be additional eliminations in teaching positions at the close of the fall term, these eliminations should be made.

(3) The minimum supplies and equipment necessary for educational purposes should be included in the estimates you are making. I mean by this, equipment and supplies essential for the proper offering of the courses announced for the year.

(4)If you can forecast the relation of income to expenditure, you can probably indicate whether it will be necessary presently to begin holding back part of the salaries due teachers.

I think Mr. Wright's inquiry is designed to bring out as accurately as possible the exact situation each school faces, and the exact needs of each school, in order to operate on a minimum schedule which does not impair the school's efficiency.

I shall be making inquiries on my own account presently. This letter is simply to ascertain whether you have heard from Mr. Wright and to ask for a copy of the figures you are submitting to him.

Sincerely yours,
M. J. Holmes
Secretary, Institutions for Negroes

MJH.D

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740 RUSH STREET
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November 12, 1931

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
239 West 131st Street
New York City

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I wonder whether my letter of November 10th, addressed to you at Daytona Beach, air mail, reached you before you started North. If not, it will doubtless be forwarded to you.

In it I proposed that Dr. A. L. Howarth join you in New York for one or two weeks of work with you on prospects you may wish him to approach, either by himself or in company with you. By virtue of the Board's action on November 5th, he is now available to aid in securing current funds.

I also proposed, in fact requested, that funds you are now receiving for the current budget of Bethune-Cookman College be sent to the Board of Education for transmission to the College. There is a possibility of receiving funds from other sources for the current budgets of our schools, under conditions which will require that these new contributions be matched by gifts from other contributors. Of course, the regular appropriations of the Board cannot be used to match such gifts. We therefore desire that contributions shall be a matter of record as passing through the hands of the Board of Education. Such funds will be promptly transmitted to Bethune-Cookman College and in no way affect the regular appropriation of the Board.

We are so confident of the receipt of additional funds, that we are prepared to assure you for every $4 so sent in, routed through the Board of Education, at some later date $1 more will be added. If you should send through as much as $10,000 in this way, there will presently be added $2,500 from other and new sources. It may be that an even larger amount will become available.

I am looking for early word from you as to when you will wish Dr. Howarth to join you. We shall expect that the salary and travel of Dr. Howarth will be cared for by the College, but this matter can be postponed until these additional receipts (in the ratio of $1 to $4) become available for you.

I hope you have a good trip in the North, and shall be pleased to hear from you from time to time.

Always sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

MJH.D

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740 RUSH STREET
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November 14, 1931

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

You are right - the list of contributors was sent to this office together with the Minutes of your Executive Committee of September 29th. We also have received the October 31st report from Mr. Long, showing the status of payments.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,
M J Holmes

MJH.D

(Copy to New York)

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740 RUSH STREET
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Dear Friend:

You are applying for a loan from the Board of Education, and I wish, first of all, to establish with you relations of friendly interest. Then I desire to make clear certain business matters.

If you accept a loan, you undertake a debt, and speaking broadly, a debt ought to be avoided. If you can get along without borrowing, do so; but if you must borrow or give up your education, then take council with your courage, for an education is worth sacrifice and risk.

You are asked to sign a note. Perhaps this is your first note. Read it carefully and make sure that you know what it means. What you are to receive is a loan and you agree to pay it, with interest, just as soon as you are able. The conditions are generous, fair and right. The fund is a revolving fund, using what former beneficiaries pay in to help new borrowers. This puts you under a special moral obligation to pay, not when convenient, but as soon as you can. Do not assume, or let any one assure you, that the note means less than it states.

For our use in passing upon your application, kindly answer the following questions, sign your name, and return this sheet to the office.

(1) Is it necessary for you to borrow? Yes

(2) Have you read the note carefully? Yes

(3) Do you understand that you agree to repay your loan with interest? Yes

With best wishes, I am

Yours very sincerely,

J P MacMillan

Director, Student Loan Fund.

William Daughtry
Sign and return

11/17/31
Date

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740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

December 1, 1931

Sent - Dec. 10, 1931.

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Please send me a list of the students who were in school last year, but are not enrolled this year, whose accounts are not settled in full, indicating the amount still due in each case.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,
M J Holmes

MJH.D

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740 RUSH STREET
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December 4, 1931

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
239 West 131st Street
New York City

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I have your letter of November 18th, to which I thought I had made reply but find I have not done so.

I am hoping to reach New York about the second week in December, and if you are still there, shall be most happy to see you.

The contract with Dr. Howarth was made by the Hancher Organization. Action has now been taken which suspends the aggressive prosecution of the campaign under Dr. Hancher's direction, incident to which move the Board of Education has taken over their contract with Dr. Howarth, and is now directing his work.

Dr. Howarth's salary is $350 a month, and living and travel while in the field. This amounts to about $175 more. We do not wish to have his salary in any way chargeable to the income of Bethune-Cookman College from the regular sources, including student fees and the Board's appropriation. We desire that his salary and expense, for the time when he is serving Bethune-Cookman College, shall come from additional receipts secured by him, or from other sources such as the twenty-five per cent addition to the funds you are securing, as heretofore discussed. We shall wish this plan to be effective during the time of his service with you following the Holidays. We shall need to adjust the details of the arrangement in the light of Dr. Howarth's work, so that the arrangement will be to the advantage of the College.

With kindest regards always, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
of the
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
740 Rush Street, Chicago

For Mr. Long's information

December 5, 1931

To the College President:

The General Education Board has asked for specific and detailed information as to the current budgets of our schools for this year. There is implied in this request the possibility that they may select certain of our schools for aid this year, although nothing has been said which is in the nature of a promise.

Several questions have been raised by the General Education Board concerning financial matters, among them the question of the care with which student fees are collected. Hence I am writing you specifically concerning the procedure in the collecting of student fees this fall, with special reference to securing a settlement with every student at least ten days before the Christmas holidays.

We recognize that many students are finding it exceedingly difficult. We also know human nature well enough to understand that some students will take advantage of the situation and fail to make payments which they are able to make. This is illustrated in the recent episode of a student, who, being faced with the necessity of withdrawing from school, produced at once from his pocket all the money required for his fees.

We wish to advise the following procedure:

1. That a careful check be made of every student's account on the basis of the complete payment he should make up to the Christmas vacation period, and that an exact list be made of all students whose fees are not at this time paid in full to that date.

2. The Bookkeeper should at once interview each student on this list. This will clear up the easier cases and reduce the list.

3. The reduced list of all who have not completed satisfactory arrangements should then be interviewed by the President, in order to determine exactly what the possibilities are for prompt settlement. This interview should be held at least ten days before the Christmas vacation begins.

4. Possibly out of this series of interviews the President will find a number of students who must have scholarship aid, either now or before the year is over. This will be an important by-product of the process of securing settlement from all who can pay.

In cases where the fall quarter closes in December, definite arrangements should be made by the student fully ten days before the examination period, either by payment in cash, by agreement to pay by the examination period, or by some other handling of the obligation definitely acceptable to the President and agreed to by the student. We urge as an objective a definite settlement on some basis on the part of every student some little time before school closes, -

Bdg Ed

December 5,
1931.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

May we acknowledge the receipt of the following checks from your office:

$500.00 - Contribution of Miss F. E. White -

649.66 - Contributions of Bethune-Cookman Asso. of New York

(The above sent in by Pres. Bethune)

644.44 - Regular Appropriation

We enclose herewith receipt for the appropriation check. Receipts are being sent direct to the other donors.

Very truly yours,
BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

By:

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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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Corresponding Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
FOR NEGROES

MAY GETZENDANNER
Auditor of Schools

420 Plum Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio

January 11, 1932

My dear Mrs Bethune:

I have just returned from Chicago. Dr Holmes will write you today of a plan he has which will give to you two or three weeks of my time. I think the plan will be satisfactory to you. After his letter is received, will you drop me a line, and I will make my plans to come as soon as possible.

I cannot get to you by the 15th as you suggest, because of this proposed plan, but will be with you before the close of the month, and if need be, I can keep your books for a couple of weeks getting everything up to date. I am sure you and I can work out things most satisfactorily, and I will be most happy to help you. I find great satisfaction in working with you.

With kindest regards I am

Yours sincerely,

May Getzendanner

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740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

January 19, 1932

My dear Mrs. Scott:

Your recommendations for first semester student loans have been received. Your care in assembling the papers is appreciated.

May we suggest that the school report be submitted in duplicate only and that all notes submitted should be free from alterations or erasures?

Please have Miss Jones sign the pledge on the reverse side of the application and tell us what effort William Daughtry is making to earn part of his necessary school expenses. We will proceed with the loans upon receipt of the necessary information and form.

Sincerely yours,
Pearl Montgomery
Loan Clerk.

Mrs. Mazie T. Scott
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

February 4, 1932

My dear Mrs. Scott:

We will accept the notes as they now stand.

Your list of recommendations for first semester aid has been approved in the amount of $225.

Enclosed please find seven student loan checks numbering from 35794-1 to 35794-7, inclusive, together with the duplicate school report form, the memorandum notes intended for the students' files.

Kindly write us within the near future whether the proper order of Miss Clements' name is Otelia Ruth or Ruth Otelia and which name she uses ordinarily.

Sincerely yours,

Pearl Montgomery

Mrs. Maizie T. Scott
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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740 RUSH STREET
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February 10, 1932

My dear Mrs. Scott:

Two school reports for your use in recommending candidates for second semester loans are enclosed.

As you will recall the students need not submit supplementary applications, church recommendations or "Dear Friend" letters. The notes should include both the first term loans and the sums you wish each to receive. The former notes will be voided and returned with the new checks. Kindly remember that the notes submitted by any applicant under eighteen years of age should be endorsed by someone of financial responsibility.

Inasmuch as the maximum a high school senior may obtain cannot exceed $75 during the year, it would seem that Miss Jones can expect no more than $25 this term. The total of the recommendations must be restricted to $175.

Sincerely yours,
Pearl Montgomery
Loan Clerk.

Mrs. Mazie T. Scott
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

March 3, 1932.

Mr. J. P. MacMillan
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. MacMillan:

I am enclosing the recommendation for the second semester.

You will note I recommended Quinten Bailey and crossed it out; she failed in her work and the academic committee recommended that she withdraw from school. Then, I found that Florence Jones would not be able to stay in school unless we helped her again, therefore we are asking that Florence Jones be loaned $25.00 more, making a total for her of $75.00.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

Mazie T. Scott, Loan Officer at Bethune Cookman College

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March 21, 1932

My dear Mrs. Scott:

We are sorry Quentin Bailey was unable to remain in school. As aid from the Fund is presumably restricted to those candidates in full-time attendance throughout the year, we hope she will return the money advanced her as soon as she can possibly do so.

Your recommendations for second semester aid from the Fund have been approved in the amount of $175.

Enclosed please find six student loan checks numbering from 36425-1 to 36425-6, inclusive, together with the duplicate school report form, the previous notes marked void and the memorandum forms intended for the students.

Sincerely yours,

J P MacMillan

Mrs. Mazie T. Scott
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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420 Plum Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio

April 19, 1932

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs Mary Mc Leod Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs Bethune:

I was glad to get your letter and thank you for sending forward the bill for the balance of the allowance made to me.

I was quite interested in your March report, and note the arrangement made with Mr Frazier. I sincerely trust it will work out to your entire satisfaction.

I want to again call your attention to a matter, which I think should have action from your Executive Committee.

In September 1930, a donation of $1,000 came to your school for the Endowment Fund. This was placed in your regular account and has been used up. I think your Executive Committee should take action authorizing a note to the Endowment Fund, and as soon as you have sufficient cash on hand it should be paid and the money invested as your Committee directs. An action sich as they took with reference to the money borrowed from the Capital Fund Account would be sufficient, and by the way, just what is the difference between the Endowment Fund as shown on our books, and the Capital Fund Account. Are they not both the same and should they not be carried together? This is only an inquiry and not a suggestion.

I am still bragging to my sister about the very pleasant days I spent at your school, and it is my hope that I may be privileged to visit you again next winter.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

May Getzendanner

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Congratulate appoint
Wish him success
Assure him of
cooperation

June 10, 1932

President Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

The Church has honored me with the election as Secretary of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, an office filled so satisfactorily by Dr. William S. Bovard during the past two quadrenniums. I appreciate the difficult task committed to me, and I fully realize that I can render the best and most helpful service only with the most hearty cooperation on the part of all who are interested in the educational program of the Church.

Naturally it will take time for me to orient myself in the new position, and you would not expect me to make at this time any statement of policy concerning the future. I simply want to say that I am deeply interested in the work which you and your institution are doing, and shall consider it a privilege, either personally or through the facilities of the office, to be of every possible service to you.

I do not desire to submit a questionnaire for the purpose of discovering ways in which I might be helpful to you, but I wish you would feel perfectly free to write me in detail any suggestions that you think might be of value to me in planning the work of the quadrennium, with special reference to the interests of the educational institutions to which the Board sustains relationship.

It will be a great pleasure to be associated with you in this important work, and I sincerely hope that the association will prove of mutual helpfulness.

With cordial greetings and best wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

F C Eiselen

Corresponding Secretary

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE ARCHIVES

Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Daytona Beach, Florida,
July 7, 1932.

Dr. M. J. Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago - Illinois

Please wire your opinion of Bond - Must give him decision

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Same message to:

Dr. Arthur D. Wright,
726 Jackson Place, Northwest,
Washington - D. C.

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Ebenezer Methodist Episcopal Church
Rev. S. P. Rutlege, Pastor
Phone 5-1404-J
431 W. Ashley Street
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

August 18,1932.

Mrs.Maizie T.Scott,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs.Scott:

I am writing in the interest of my son Nathanael who wants to return to the college next month to continue his education. I have written the Board of Education to see if there might be a possibility of securing aid from the Students'Loan Fund. Mr.MacMillan seems quite willing to assist him upon your recommendation as Loan Officer for the college. We want to apply for a loan of $100.00.Will you kindly recommend him?

Awaiting your reply, I beg to remain

Very sincerely,

S. P. Rutlege

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EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
STUDENT LOAN FUND

740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

August 27, 1932

To the Loan Officer:

Here are detailed instructions for next year's guidance. Please check carefully each list of recommendations before sending it to us.

The allotments for student loans during 1932-33 will be fixed at the Executive Committee meeting on November 3, 1932. Present estimates indicate that there will be considerably less available for distribution this year than was available last year. We much prefer that the requests be submitted in two installments, and it has long been the practice to limit recommendations for first semester loans to one-half of the appropriation for the year. Until the allotment has been established, the figure for the preceding year has been used. We must now provide for a considerable decrease, and request that tentatively recommendations for first semester loans do not exceed one-third of your allotment for last year.

The trustees of the Board of Education expect a thorough examination of each candidate for aid. Allow us to urge thoughtful reading of the pamphlet, careful explanations to applicants, and insistence that each borrower read attentively every document he is asked to sign.

May we remind you that:

1. The following conditions are required of all applicants: Christian character, satisfactory scholarship, promise of usefulness to the Church and to society, and financial reliability. If you cannot recommend a candidate unqualifiedly on all these points, kindly correspond with us before holding out any hope of a loan.

2. Kindly make no requests for loans to foreign students.

3. An inviolable rule is that every applicant must have been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for at least one year before applying for aid.

4. There is a long standing rule against the granting of loans to both husband and wife.

5. We question seriously the wisdom of lending to a student whose total indebtedness to individuals and organizations amounts to $1,000 or more. In case such a student is recommended, please send a special report demonstrating that he may be fully depended upon to repay his loan according to the terms of his pledge.

6. The following blanks should be sent in for students who are requesting assistance for the first time: application, church recommendation, "Dear Friend" letter, and note.

For students who have previously borrowed, only the application and note need be submitted.

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~~JOSEPH P. MACMILLAN~~
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
STUDENT LOAN FUND

740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

1 September, 1932

To the Loan Officer:

Student Loan repayments during the year 1931-32 were $37,074 below repayments for 1930-31. The economic situation is, of course, responsible for this. It is also responsible for the decreased returns from the Children's Day collection. During 1931-32 this collection fell off $21,302, which is 15.2% below that of the previous year.

The trustees authorized our granting loans not to exceed $384,780 during the year 1931-32. $383,600 was actually loaned. This figure exceeded our income for loans by $55,265. This consumed a buffer fund which was invested and against which it had been our practice to borrow moneys to cover loan checks issued during the months when the income did not meet the requirements. Such a practice was necessary since a large part of the income from repayments as well as Children's Day collections, is received the last month of our fiscal year. It is inevitable that there will be a marked decrease in the allotments for student loans next year.

All of this but emphasizes the fact that your cooperation is needed in the matter of the collection of student loan accounts. There are undoubtedly those who cannot pay or who can pay but small amounts. I am also confident that there are many who can pay, but who are giving other obligations their attention and allowing this to run indefinitely. Our efforts during the year must be to effect collection from all who can pay without undue hardship. One thing we have learned during the years is that few, if any loans are repaid without sacrifice. If you will advise us of any borrowers through your school who can and should be remitting regularly, or of any who are in a desperate plight just now and should not be pressed for payment, we will appreciate it.

We will also appreciate your writing to those borrowers whose loans are past due, or recent borrowers who are not meeting the required minimum payments. Payment of accounts should be urged on the following grounds:

1. To keep faith with those whose contributions have built up this revolving student loan fund.
2. To keep faith with those who recommended the borrower.
3. To fulfill the pledges made by the borrower in securing the help of the Student Loan Fund.
4. So that funds may be available for loans to present day students who face unusual difficulties in financing their education, since new loans can be granted only as repayments are made.

5. So that larger sums may be made available for students at your institution through the prompt repayment of former loans. Allotments to each school are governed by the repayment records of alumni.

In writing to those who have entered the ministry it is advisable to stress the necessity of their conforming to the highest ethical standards, since they are presumed to live the virtues they preach.

Do not intimate that the borrower is one of many who are delinquent or slow in making payment, nor suggest possible reasons why he has not met payments. Such an approach will but ease his conscience and possibly even prolong the period of delinquency.

We are realizing more and more as the years add to our experience, that in lending money we assume an obligation to see that it is repaid according to the specified terms. We do a positive wrong to young people when we permit them to be lax in a matter of this kind. On the other hand we have an excellent opportunity to help them acquire habits of meeting financial obligations promptly.

It is our hope that with your hearty cooperation during the year we can avoid a further decrease next year.

Before closing this letter may I suggest the necessity of careful judgments on the young people recommended for loans. Aid should go only to those who are capable, of good character, and who have a quick conscience in regard to financial obligations and a strong will to effect their discharge. The purpose of the fund is to assist in the education of leaders for the Church among the laity as well as the ministry.

Sincerely yours,

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740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

October 26, 1932

My dear Mrs. Scott:

Will you please write the Reverend Stafford Robinson at Bell Glade, Florida, concerning the probability that his daughter may borrow from the Student Loan Fund this year?

You are doubtlessly overwhelmed with applications. Our income has so fallen off that it seems the maximum Bethune-Cookman students may expect will not exceed $250.

Cordially yours,

Karl Montgomery

Loan Clerk.

Mrs. Maizie T. Scott
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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5 November 1932

TO THE LOAN OFFICER:

My dear friend:

I regret that it has been impossible to advise you before this date as to the exact amount which may be appropriated to your institution from the Student Loan Fund for the year 1932-33. This could not be finally determined before the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Education which has just been held.

Please be assured that you have our sympathy in these critical days of unusually acute needs on the part of your students, and our sympathies extend also to your institution in its strenuous effort to carry on its work under most difficult economic conditions.

We sorely regret that the amount appropriated to your institution has had to be seriously reduced. The shortage in the Loan Fund for this year has come about in two ways: (1) A considerably smaller Children's Day collection this year; and (2) a less amount collected from borrowers, notwithstanding very earnest efforts at collection.

We believe you will exercise great care in making the loans only to those who are obviously good risks. You can help us by using your influence (1) to stir up former students to repay their loans and (2) to inspire pastors in your territory to secure next year an unusually large Children's Day collection. Your help in these respects will be appreciated.

Your appropriation for the year 1932-33 from the Student Loan Fund is $ 250. I wish it could be more and trust this amount may be of great help to all those who share it.

With cordial appreciation of your work and your care in distributing your loans wisely, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wm J Davidson

Mrs. Maizie T. Scott
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

November 7, 1932

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Replying to your letter of October 12 addressed to Doctor Harris, I may say that the minutes of any of the Annual Conferences in which you may be interested may be secured from the Methodist Book Concern, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Sincerely yours,

F. C. Eiselen

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

November 19, 1932

My dear Mrs. Scott:

We are sorry Miss Robinson's scholarship is such that she is ineligible to borrow from the Fund and do hope she may effect some arrangement which will enable her to remain in school.

Former borrowers need not submit church recommendations or "Dear Friend" letters. As you may know, their new notes should cover any previous borrowings and the sum now to be received. The replaced notes will be returned with the checks.

The forms requested are enclosed.

Cordially yours,

Pearl Montgomery

Loan Clerk.

Mrs. Mazie T. Scott
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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Corresponding Secretary

H. K. WRIGHT
Comptroller

740 RUSH STREET
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December 6, 1932

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I have your letter of November 30th. My letter about amounts which you may have received from the Reverend E. A. Robinson referred to any gifts which have not been forwarded to us. Reverend Robinson has, of course, received vouchers for the amounts which have been sent to this office. His letter seemed to indicate that he had paid amounts to you for which he had received no voucher. If there are such amounts we shall be glad to issue vouchers upon receipt of the money.

Yours truly,

H. K. Wright

HKW:W

January 3, 1933.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Just a note to express our deep gratitude for the check for five hundred dollars on our regular appropriation. I assure you that this amount came in time to meet our need as to teachers' salaries.

We enclose herewith official receipt.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethume.

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January 9, 1933

My dear Mrs. Scott:

We hope your school work will be both pleasant and profitable.

Miss Jones and Miss Rutledge should answer item twenty of their respective applications, and Miss Russ should answer the latter part of section 28 and secure in witness to her application the signatures of two individuals who have known her for some time.

(We will complete the loans as soon as our resources permit.) This

Cordially yours,

Pearl Montgomery
Loan Clerk.

Mrs. Mazie T. Scott
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Miss Loving!
Please call this to Mrs. Bethune's attention. I attended to the errors she spoke of.
M. T. Scott

February 21, 1933.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes:

May we express our deep appreciation to you for the check for $1,003.50 which was recently received. It means so much to us to be able to pay one half of the note to the building fund, which we did the following day after the receipt of the check. The refund of $3.50 for the fruit was also made promptly.

We are trying to think of some way to raise funds for our current maintenance but we have had no success along this line, up to this time. I shall discuss all of these things with you when you come down to the Annual meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

February 24, 1933

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Enclosed you will find check for $1,000, which includes $500 regular appropriation for your budget, and $500 of special aid which should be used to complete payment of the note for $2,000 authorized in December.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Merrill J. Holmes

P.S. At your discretion the $500 special aid here reported and the preceding $500 may be used for current accounts, thus leaving $1000 still due on the note of last December.

Merrill J. Holmes

MJH.D

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6 July 1933

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

With the approach of your new academic year and the opening of the new fiscal year of the Board of Education you probably desire to know about changes which have been made in the rules governing loans to Methodist students in the institutions related to the Methodist Church. The following changes have been made:

(1) "In each school related to the Methodist Episcopal Church there shall be established a loan committee of three persons, the chairman of which shall be designated as the loan officer for that school." Where there is not already an able committee on student loans, this action calls for the immediate appointment of a committee of three judicious faculty members. All applications for loans should be considered and acted upon by this committee in session.

(2) "Applications for loans in all cases must have the approval of the loan officer of the school attended and of at least one other member of the loan committee." This means written approval. The borrower may no longer select indiscriminately the persons who may approve (sign) his application.

(3) "The rate of interest on student loans shall remain five per cent per annum except that the borrower shall be required to pay interest at the rate of two per cent while he remains in full-time attendance at school and for one year thereafter. Following that date interest shall accrue at five per cent on any unpaid balance." Interest will be charged from the date of the first note in order to cultivate a more serious attitude toward the obligation and to establish the habit of meeting interest payments.

(4) "No loans shall be made to freshmen in their first semester of attendance, or in their first quarter where the quarter system is in operation." Loan officers and all others will please note this change and advise prospective freshmen accordingly.

(5) "Borrowers from the Loan Fund who are under twenty-one years of age shall be required to furnish satisfactory guarantors for the payment of loans." Because of economic conditions it seems advisable not to put this into effect until September 1, 1934; meanwhile the regulation requiring a guarantor for every student under eighteen years of age will continue in effect.

With the exception of (5), these rules are now in force and the new application blanks and notes will be issued accordingly. Later we shall advise you as to the total amount which will be available for your students in 1933-34. Assuring you of our desire to make the Student Loan Fund as serviceable as possible to those who are needy, worthy, and thoroughly dependable, and in loyalty to our responsibility for the safest possible handling of this trust fund, I am

Faithfully yours,

Wm J. Davidson

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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July 7, 1933

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your letter of June 1 was awaiting me on my return to the office on July 3. I have also learned that recently you were in the office and I deeply regret that I was not here to give you a word of welcome.

I am glad to know that your Commencement occasion went off so successfully. Bethune-Cookman College has done and is doing a very excellent piece of work, and through your efforts a goodly company of interested and enthusiastic friends has been gathered. I am sure that this promises well for the future of the school.

You may rest assured that we of the Board are sincerely interested in Bethune-Cookman College, and we shall give you every kind of cooperation that is within our power.

Here is hoping that the new year upon which you are entering will prove the most satisfactory in the history of the school and in your relation to it.

Very sincerely yours,

F. C. Eiselen

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COMPTROLLER

740 RUSH STREET
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August 5, 1933

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

The boiler inspection which was made on July 12th indicates that there is considerable work to be done on your boilers.

I presume that you received copy of this report and are giving it attention, but to make sure I am enclosing the copy which I received.

Yours truly,

H. K. Wright

HKW:W
Enc.

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November 29, 1933

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

We have a report from the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company covering the No. 3 Mercer Boiler located in the basement of White Hall.

It seems that this boiler has three broken sections, and in other ways is probably unsafe for use and cannot be insured in its present condition.

Will you please let me know two things; first, is it your intention to use this boiler this winter? Second, please get an estimate on what it will cost to make the repairs recommended in the inspector's report.

A copy of this report was sent to you, but for your ready reference, I am attaching hereto the copy which I received.

Yours truly,

H. K. Wright

HKW:W
Enc.

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December 13, 1933

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Thanks for your letter of December 2, from which I note that you are proceeding with the boiler repairs.

As you request, I am returning herewith the letter which you received from H. R. Williams.

With kind, personal regards, I am

Yours truly,

H. K. Wright

HKW:W
Enc.

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January 25, 1934

To the College President:

I am enclosing -

(1) Copy of Lincoln Day program and letter, and the order card, which have gone to every pastor in Methodism.

(2) List of pastors in the white Conferences who are to receive a special letter from you.

The envelopes, properly addressed to the pastors, have been mailed to you. The lists are forwarded to you now in order that you may have on file the names and addresses of these pastors.

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

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13 February 1934

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

At the meeting of the University Senate of the Methodist Episcopal Church held on January 15, 1934, a report was made regarding the recognition given to Bethune-Cookman College by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Bethune-Cookman College was placed by that Association in Class B of Standard Two-Year Junior Colleges, which consists of institutions which "do not yet meet in full one or more of the standards set up by this Association for junior colleges, but the general quality of their work is such as to warrant the admission of their graduates into the junior year of any standard four-year college".

The University Senate does not classify colleges in exactly the same way, but it has a class of schools which are reported as "not meeting some of the requirements of the University Senate". The Senate has placed Bethune-Cookman College in this group as a recognition of the splendid work which the school has been and is doing under your leadership.

I sincerely hope that before long Bethune-Cookman College will be advanced to the class of institutions which enjoy full and unqualified accreditment.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

√ F C Eiselen

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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Ernest Dyett
Okalona Ind'l Inst.
Okalona, Miss

March 5, 1934

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I have your letter of March 2nd, and note that you recently had a fire in the boys' dormitory. I shall be glad if you will forward at once a more detailed report showing the exact date of the fire, and the estimated damage in order that we may file the proper claim through our insurance agents.

On May 31st, 1932, I furnished you with a complete statement of the insurance carried on each building, and the contents thereof. Since that time the insurance has been reduced, and I am enclosing herewith the revised schedule.

Yours truly,

H. K. Wright

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P. S. In reporting to us, will you please identify the boys' dormitory on the insurance schedule? I believe that it is the building known as Cookman Hall, but I am not sure.

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April 18, 1934

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President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

With rather brief notice I am assigned to represent our Board at the St. John's River Conference, and will reach St. Augustine Saturday.

If this reaches you in time to drop me a note in care of Dr. D. H. Rutter, Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, St. Augustine, please do so. If you are at the school I wish to come down for a day with you. Otherwise, I shall doubtless meet you in Washington at the time of the conference beginning May 9th.

I understand the General Education Board is considering favorably the proposal for a revision of their offer on buildings. Just before or just after the Washington conference I shall be in New York.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJHolmes

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DATE December 10 1934

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December 7, 1934

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

Enclosed is check for $250.00, which returns to you the gift of the Bethune-Cookman Association of New York which you transmitted to us in your letter of December 4th.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Florence R. Day

Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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February 24, 1935.

✓ Miss Florence R. Day,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago - Illinois.

Dear Miss Day:

In view of the fact that our need for funds for maintenance is so urgent, Dr. Holmes has very kindly given us permission to send to his office for record, the list of donations secured to balance gifts from "St. Anonymous." We are, therefore, enabled to meet the requirement of this gift while having funds for immediate use, without the delay incident to sending ~~it~~ to Chicago and waiting for its return.

I enclose the list of gifts to be recorded for Bethune-Cookman during latter January and Februaty, to date.

I also enclose herewith check for $21.62, exchange gift for World Service, which should go to the following church:

First Avenue M. E. Church,
Winter Park - Florida

Ref. D. S. Scadeng - Pastor.

Very truly yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Secretary to the President.

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April 10, 1935.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

Mrs. Bethune plans to take the publicity group to the Troy Conference at Delmar, New York, on April 27th. I cant anticipate their schedule just now, but they may also spend Sunday, April 28th, at that conference. So you see our work may be represented direct. I talked with one of our Pennsylvania friends this morning and found out that the Wyoming conference will meet in Endicott, New York April 27th, 28th and 29th. I do hope that Mrs. Bethune and the group may also be able to visit this conference. It seems possible to arrange it, for Delmar cant be so far from Endicott. It will be best, I understand, for the group to appear before the last day, for the hustle and bustle of closing will detract attention from them. Perhaps, if you write Mrs. Bethune at Cleveland (4450 Cedar Avenue, C/o Miss Jane Hunter) you may be able to give her advice and suggestion on these points. I am writing her also.

Very truly yours,

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

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May 22, 1935

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President Bethune:

In the absence of Dr. Holmes, I am sending you check for $625.00 from funds from our anonymous donor, in accord with Dr. Holmes' letter to you of May 21st.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Florence R Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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Bd of Education

June 18, 1935

Mr. L. H. Foster
Virginia State College for Negroes
Petersburg, Virginia
(Copy to Bethune-Cookman College)

My dear Mr. Foster:

Since writing you, we have found a satisfactory candidate for the first position I had in mind. Meanwhile, a similar problem arises at Bethune-Cookman College.

Mrs. Bethune is inviting you to visit the school and look into the particular task which the institution faces, hoping, I am sure, that you can suggest a person who may qualify as finance officer of the institution. She will discuss the matter fully with you.

I believe it is the plan to find a person who will be responsible for the collecting of student fees and who will keep an eye on the budget in connection with the expenses of the institution. The usual problem of keeping a school's obligations within a limited income is present at Bethune-Cookman College. An amazing achievement has marked recent years, even with limited funds. During this present period, when gifts from interested friends cannot be secured in the same amounts as formerly, it is particularly important to establish effective budgetary control so that the resources the school has may be made to cover the program undertaken.

In line with the situation at most other schools with which I am well acquainted, we are expecting one person, giving full time to the work of the business office, to handle that task without much additional help. I do not think there will be any teaching duties connected with this position.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJH.D

Bd of Education

Copy for Mrs. Bethune

June 19, 1935

The Reverend H. W. Bartley
800 South Division Street
Orlando, Florida

My dear Dr. Bartley:

Miss Ada W. Giles, 392 Charlotte Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida, recently wrote inquiring about the possibility of securing a Student Loan. Our office has referred her to President Bethune, since all applications for loans go through the college office.

In any case, the amount available for loans is not large, and since it is money for loan purposes, not scholarship purposes, the school will endeavor to recommend only those students who are likely to be willing and able to establish a definite plan for repayment.

Miss Giles mentioned you in her letter, so I am writing you in order that you may be informed also as to the procedure.

With kindest regards always, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJH.D

Special Correspondence : Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church

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Dear Mrs Bethune:

I am to see Mr Jackson Davis on Friday in New York.

Please send me at Prince George Hotel, New York City:

1. No of teachers in Junior College holding Master's degree
2. No of teachers in Junior College holding Bachelor degree (a) with less than one year of advanced study (b) with one year or more of advanced study.
3 No teachers in High School holding Master degree
4 No teachers in High School holding Bachelor degree (a) and (b) as above.
5 No teachers either division having no degree

Of course you will count *each* teacher as *either* in Junior College *or* High School.

This data is for University Senate

Sincerely

[illegible] Holmes

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January 10th 1936

President Mary M. Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

This is entirely a confidential letter to you. The General Education Board is considering aid on your deficit of last July first and, therefore, has in mind $24,000. as the amount on which you need help. I am hopeful that they will offer $12,000. paying $6,000. at an early date and conditioning the rest on the full $24,000. being secured.

I believe your most pressing need at this moment is for money for past due teachers' salaries and on last year's open accounts. I think the form of the General Education Board action will provide funds specifically for last year's unmet needs. In this case their gifts should be used exclusively for old accounts. and salaries

I suggest that with this probability ahead of us you confer with your Executive Committee as to how $6,000. if it becomes available in the near future, should best be used on the obligations of last year, limiting its use to clearing up teachers' salaries and to payments on old accounts. Please send me at Chicago a copy of your proposed use of funds to reach me on the 16th or 17th, or as soon thereafter as possible.

In view of the suggestion that their money apply on old obligations, I further suggest that your Committee consider how some amount, if possible $1,000. be made available from other sources to apply on the bank note. If in view of the relief offered by the expected $6,000. your Committee can provide $1,500. or $2,000. on the note, it will be better still. In the meanwhile I am trying to find some special aid, but as yet have nothing to report.

I am sure there is a way out if we all keep working together. We should have word from New York soon after the 17th, on which date the Board meets.

Sincerely yours, M J Holmes

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January 16, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

There is a possibility of Dr. Eiselen's being in Florida immediately after the middle of February. I think it would be helpful to the school if we could arrange a few engagements in churches like First Avenue, St. Petersburg, and others,where your quartet might sing and where Dr. Eiselen might make a statement concerning the work of the College. With this in mind, I am writing the Reverend Paul R. Horton.

Will you have a quartet or other small group available at that time? Would you think well of my asking Mr. Horton to make other dates in that part of Florida, or is it better for engagements to be made from your office?

I think such a plan will help identify our school with the general program of our Church more clearly. Of course a collection would be taken.

This plan is in the tentative stage. Please let me know exactly what you think of it.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJ Holmes

MJH.D

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January 22, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

My recent letter concerning engagements for Dr. Eiselen and the Bethune-Cookman College singers has doubtless reached you by this time.

Today's mail brings a letter from the Reverend Paul R. Hortin of the First Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, St. Petersburg, naming February 21st as the date open for the suggested engagement. This date is satisfactory to Dr. Eiselen. Will a singing group be available at that time?

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJHolmes

MJH.D

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January 25, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach. Florida

Dear President Bethune:

Mr. W. W. Brierley, Secretary of the General Education Board has sent to me for transmission to you his letter dated January 21st, reporting the action of the General Education Board providing an outright grant of $6,000 to apply on the current expenses of 1934-35, and a second grant of $6,000 for the same purpose when certain other conditions have been met. These other conditions, you will observe, include the finding of sufficient funds from other sources so that those funds, together with the General Education Board grant, will "pay in full all outstanding obligations incurred during 1934-35." This stipulation includes both the expenses incident to current operations and those incurred in connection with erecting and equipping the new buildings. A further condition provides for a new and complete audit of the accounts for that year.

First of all I congratulate you on the generous grant which the General Education Board is thus making. I count it a very real tribute to the work you have built up through the years.

I am sure the check for $6,000 will reach you promptly, under the condition this is to be applied on salaries and open accounts of last year, or a part of it may be used to reimburse the school for payments already made on such accounts since the close of the last fiscal year.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

March 11, 1936

Mr. Jackson Davis
Grace-American Building
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Davis:

I am just back from Bethune-Cookman College. One of the most interesting "extra curricular activities" I have seen anywhere occurred last week when a group of students from the State University and a group of students from Rollins College met a group of Bethune-Cookman College students in their chapel for an afternoon's discussion on various questions previously suggested, touching problems of interest to youth and including especially angles of the interracial problem. The visitors spent the entire day on the campus, getting acquainted with the school, its faculty, and student group. The whole set-up, including the public discussion, is most emphatically conducive to a wholesome approach to the baffling problems in this field. On this basis, the coming generation in Florida can do some things our generation will never accomplish. This is another illustration of the way in which Bethune-Cookman College reaches out into the life of the larger community.

Let me come now to my main question. The Bethune-Cookman College Trustee Board last year took formal action approving an endowment goal of $500,000. At the present time it actually has a little over $14,000 that is productive. There can be no doubt, I am sure, as to the importance of the work the school is doing. To maintain its program on a minimum basis it needs, however, from some additional source a stabilizing fund for its budget. Probably the only feasible answer is to create an endowment fund.

Would the General Education Board consider a conditional grant at this time toward a total of $500,000, with the provision that it may be secured in two steps, with $300,000 as the first step and $200,000 as the second step, and would the General Education Board offer half the amount sought; namely, $150,000 when the first $150,000 has been secured from other sources, thus enabling the school to complete the first step, and also the final $100,000 of the second step?

It seems to me the facts in the case speak for themselves without special argument. Whether this type of institution is within the scope of the plans of the General Education Board is, of course, a question which the Board only can answer. Except for this question, it seems to me that the originality and virility of the work done amply warrant the appeal for endowment funds that the work of the school may be established on a safe and enduring basis. This matter of Bethune-Cookman College I very much wish to discuss with you also, hoping it may have consideration at the meeting of the General Education Board this spring.

Sincerely yours,

MJH.D

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March 25, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I am writing formally to ask that you take a place on the program of our Board Monday afternoon, May 11th, at which time the interests of this department are to be presented. The general outline for the afternoon is as follows:

Music, Clark University
Prayer
Statement of the educational work of the Church, President W.J.King
Music
Readings, Professor Winterwood of Bennett College
Address, Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune

We suggest that your address might well be along the line of what Christian education means to the youth of the Negro race, and through them to the welfare of the nation. I do not suggest this as the topic, but rather as a guide for the main trend of your address. Twenty-five minutes will be the time for the address.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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March 25, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I am enclosing copy of letter which I recently sent to Mr. Jackson Davis. In my conversation with him soon afterward, he did not give encouragement to presenting a formal appeal for a conditional endowment offer at this time. Evidently we must first meet the goal of coming to June 30th with finances in the clear.

I find the General Education Board interpreting their conditional offer to Bethune-Cookman College as involving not only the meeting of the deficit of last year, but also closing the accounts of this year with everything paid. In presenting the case of Bethune-Cookman to them last fall, I stated more than once that the school was providing for balancing its budget during the current year, but that it would need $24,000 to clear up last year's problem. So this is the task which the school faces.

The one thing to do is to push right ahead, in the first place holding rigidly to all economies that are possible. In this matter I think you should instruct Mr. Taylor to hold strictly to the budget outlined, making him responsible for keeping new requisitions and purchases certainly inside the budget, and if income is slow, well inside the budget. In the second place, I think a note of optimism should be sounded in contact with the friends of the school. Your situation is so much better than a year ago that everyone interested should take courage.

Probably the push for current funds at the present time will make it difficult to make any urgent appeal for endowment funds. It would seem to be a feasible plan to seek current funds now from friends of the institution, and then when we can set up an endowment campaign go back to them, asking them to capitalize such gifts as they have been making.

Finally, when the school is out of debt again, it must find a sure way of staying out.

I am sure you will find a way ahead.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJHolmes

MJH.D

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April 7, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

Our schools are rounding the curve now for the home stretch which will close our academic year. If their financial experience is like that of our Board of Education, they face a problem of receipts which do not quite measure up to their expectations.

I am especially concerned that Bethune-Cookman College shall use every possible encouragement in prevailing upon students to pay their accounts for the year. Certainly there are cases in which patrons of the school can do some of their financing at home, rather than simply asking the school to await payments until a later time, or to forego payments entirely.

Is it feasible to give pretty complete instructions to the business office to proceed with the collecting of accounts, and to authorize him to secure the cooperation of the Dean in having students come to the business office to report. I have in mind an aggressive and rigorous educational process which will develop increasingly a sense of responsibility,not alone on the part of students, but on the part of their parents for bringing payments up to date.

There have been years when our Board could make a special appropriation to some schools in urgent need at the end of the year. The trend of general receipts is such as to make this impossible this year. In fact, we have our hands full in finding a way to meet the appropriations we have assumed for the year. Hence this letter of advice and counsel. And of course there are special reasons why Bethune-Cookman College will need to complete its year's program with all receipts in hand.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

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April 18, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I think you and your advisers are acting very wisely in accepting the offer coming to you through Mr. Bolton, which will provide for the continuation of the $2,700 per year, as reported in his letter to you of April 2nd.

Concerning the $6,000 from the General Education Board, according to the terms of their offer, this cannot be claimed until after the audit which they have asked for, and the audit, I assume, should be about the end of your school year. Moreover, I am sure they are counting on the school to balance its budget for the current year, and be out of debt as a condition of paying their final $6,000. When I talked with them as to their thought in the matter, they reminded me that in making application for aid from their Board, or perhaps I should say in endorsing your application for aid, I had told them that your budget for the year was set up in such a way and under such controls that it would balance, and that the task you faced was that of finding $24,000 to clear these obligations of last year.

In addition, of course, there was the usual quest for funds from private sources to complete your budget needs for the current year. Possibly funds that would normally be used on the current year have been claimed because of greater urgency on the $24,000 need of last year. It is not easy, perhaps it is not possible, to segregate entirely the receipts to be applied on old accounts from the receipts for the current budget, and this is another reason for waiting until the end of the year for a final audit which will really cover both years.

Certainly you have made remarkable progress the last nine months in this whole matter, and I hope the fine response continues to come in so that all will be in the clear by June 30th.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

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Board

May 6, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

Enclosed is check for $413.30, representing designated gifts and Lincoln Day collections received for Bethune-Cookman College during April.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJ Holmes

MJH.D

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May 20, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I am taking up with the Finance Committee the question of a possible advance against next year's appropriation to the school, the same to be available to help on teachers' salaries at this time. The most that can be expected is $2,500. I shall write you as soon as I know the decision of the Committee.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

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May 20, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I find on my return to the office the enclosed notice from the bank.

There should be available from our Board for the budget of Bethune-Cookman College for the current year a balance of $787.50, to come from matching money. This item we herewith enclose by check marked, "To apply on bank note."

We advise that from other funds available you complete payment of the note so as to clear this item at the bank. Please let me know when you have settled the note at the bank.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJ Holmes

MJH.D

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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May 21, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

Under date of March 9th I transmitted to you a copy of a memorandum from the Hartford Steam Boiler Insurance and Inspection Company concerning the repair of what appeared to be a cracked section of the boiler. If this repair has been made, the inspection department will make a reinspection and determine whether insurance against cracking can now be included.

Please let me know whether you have had the repairs made, or whether matters stand as they were before.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.

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Assistant Secretary

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740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

May 22, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

The Finance Committee considered today your request for an advance against next year's appropriation in order to care for teachers' salaries now due. The action of the Finance Committee provides for $2,500 for this purpose, of which amount check for $1,500 is herewith enclosed. Check for $1,000 will follow next week when the Board of Education will have additional funds in hand.

Our instructions as to this matter cover two points: First, any unpaid balance on the note of the College at the bank, including interest charges, is to be met, so that the account of the College at the bank is clear. Second, the receipt of these funds is to appear on the books of the College as an advance against next year's appropriation, and therefore will appear on the liability side as an obligation to next year's budget. In other words, the $2,500 will reduce by that much the school's obligations to teachers and to the bank, but transfers the obligation to the budget account for the new year. The total liabilities, therefore, are not diminished.

I am glad this measure of relief can be provided, though it does not solve the problem of the school's finances.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJ Holmes

MJH.B

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May 25, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

The Finance Committee, in considering your urgent need for some aid on teachers' salaries at this time, approved the advance which we are arranging, on condition that the note at the bank be cleared up as far as the Board of Education is concerned. On my return to the office this week, I found here the request of the bank that our Board, as endorser of the note, complete payment. The one thing our Board could do was to meet this request.

The only funds available for this purpose are those which are under the control of the Board of Education for Bethune-Cookman College. We had our choice of two procedures, either to send the money direct to the bank, or to send the money to the College with the request that the College handle the matter in its own name, which latter course was certainly the more considerate and appropriate.

May I say that if the Board of Education should not respond when called upon to make good its endorsement, we would promptly lose our credit with the bank. Credit is built up by careful observance of obligations assumed, and by their prompt discharge when the appointed time comes.

Concerning the advance for the new year, the Board is doing the one thing that seems possible to help you meet your emergency; namely, making an advance against next year's appropriation. This will give relief at the present time, though it does not, of course, solve the problem of your need for additional funds. However, the making of the advance is conditioned on the Board's being relieved from any further obligation on the note, and from a letter from Mr. Niven it is entirely clear that this can be done only by payment of the note.

The Board of Education is arranging this week for further financing of certain obligations and will include the additional $1,000 to complete the $2,500 advance to Bethune-Cookman College. In order to requisition the $1,000 referred to, you will need to report that the note at the bank has been paid.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJHolmes

MJH.D

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TREASURER

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July 29, 1936

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Because of changes incident to General Conference legislation our Board has been delayed in setting up its budget and the figures are not ready yet. I am writing just now to ask that you submit a list of items which you consider essential in the way of repairs, specifically, repairs needed for roofs or for the structural strength of the buildings, also repairs needed on plumbing and to keep windows and doors in good condition. Probably the amount available for repairs will be $1000.

Then make a further list of additional repairs beyond the structural needs, but essential for proper appearance and preservation of property, so that we can present to the Board the perfectly valid claim for essential repair needs.

The first checks for repair purposes can go out immediately and should be some portion of the figures mentioned above in order to cover promptly bills for repairs now under way. This will give time for you to present the two lists as asked above.

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

MJH.W

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July 30, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your letter of the 20th to Dr. Holmes is received during his absence from the office. On his return next Monday he will be glad to have your good report and to write you in answer to your inquiry regarding the General Education Board.

Sincerely yours,

Bessie Whalen

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August 12, 1936

Dr. W. W. Brierley
49 W. 49th Street
New York City

Dear Dr. Brierley:

We now have from Richardson, Jackson & Company, Certified Public Accountants of Atlanta, Georgia, their official audits for the year ending June 30, 1935 and for the year ending June 30, 1936. I am enclosing a copy of each audit with this letter. In the audit for 1935, Exhibit A shows the liabilities to have been $24,983.33 and the book deficit as shown in Exhibit B, $16,020.70.

The audit for 1936 shows in Exhibit A liabilities of $13,287.32 after taking advantage of advances in appropriations of our Board, $2,500.00 and after applying available donations of $717.76, all of which funds were then in hand. The list of liabilities as shown in schedules 6,7 and 8 reveal the following liabilities still holding from the year 1934-'35.

Notes payable	$200.00
Accounts payable	5773.54
Accrued Salaries	None

None of the accrued wages or prepaid student accounts arose in the year 1934-'35 but are credits arising in the latter part of the year just closing. Thus, the audit shows that the uncared for obligations of the year 1934-'35 total $5,973.54 for the year ending June 1936.

I have before me your letter of June 22 and am submitting to you two audits and my letter of interpretation as evidence that the payment of the $6000 additional conditional grant of the General Education Board to the budget of Bethune-Cookman College of 1934-'35 will now close the record for that year with all obligations met.

I hope the documents are in proper form and clearly reveal that the goal has been achieved. I shall, of course, be glad to answer questions or refer them to the auditors for answer if the case is not clear.

This school is making a heroic recovery from its relapse into debt and in the judgment of the officers of our Board, is worthy of the favorable interest of the General Education Board.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) M. J. Holmes

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August 14, 1936

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman School
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I enclose copy of general letter going to each school. I am sure you have specific suggestions which will help in presenting the the case of Bethune-Cookman College.

I find Mrs. Pfieffer especially interested in having their gifts used to stimulate the giving of the churches in the conferences which the school serves. I mean by this, the direct giving of these churches without World Service credit.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH:W

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August 14, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
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Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Miss June R. Cotton, 707½ Fayetteville Street, Durham, N.C., instructor in English and Latin last year at Gilbert Academy is not continuing there and is available for service elsewhere. She has her master's degree. She can handle, also, some work in Social Studies. If you need a teacher in this field, please let me know and I will ask her to communicate directly with you. Her salary last year was at the rate of $360.00 cash salary, and board and room.

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH:W

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

Provision has been made for $1,500 for repairs at Bethune-Cookman College. We are enclosing at this time $1,000. The balance of $500 will reach you in a week or so.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

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September 3, 1936

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I enclose special check for $5,000, on appropriation for the current year.

If it develops that the funds you have on hand, plus this $5,000, plus the $6,000 to be received from the General Education Board, do not entirely cover all the liabilities as of August 31st, then I think the best plan is to separate the accounts that have arisen since July 1st, and apply these funds strictly on the old accounts.

It was a pleasure to see you yesterday afternoon. The opportunity you have to make known the stage of progress and the further opportunity for development of our Negro citizenship is outstanding.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

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September 10, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

Your letter of September 8th is at hand. I have already wired you as follows:

> "Two questions: (1) Do assets in every case except $6,000 conditional gift represent actual cash received up to September 8. (2) What is the amount on September 8 of liabilities arising in current year which very properly you do not include in statement now furnished."

The first question is to make clear whether the item of $373.18 represents cash collections made on student accounts receivable at the close of the year; also, is the item of $54.23 for suspense checks an item of cash received on certain checks since the close of the school year.

Your balance sheet as submitted presents the items desired and does not and should not include new liabilities still uncared for which have arisen since the new fiscal year began. However, I wish to know what these liabilities amount to.

Doubtless your answer to my wire will reach me today. The purpose of this letter is to interpret my questions to you more fully so that if your reply needs to be amended, you can wire again on Friday.

The item of $5,000 from our Board should really be shown as an appropriation payment, since most of it very definitely represents a regular gift from the Board of Education for the year.

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

MJH.D

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September 14, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I have your letter asking for copies of the auditors' report, and hasten to forward them to you at once. The copies intended for you were presumably mailed before we wrote Mr. Brierley; at least we do not find them in the office here.

We are sending additional copies. If it develops that the other copies have reached your office, please return one set at your convenience.

I wish to ask specifically concerning the summer school receipts and expenses as related to this audit. Schedule B-2 shows expenses of instruction for the summer school at $3,482.35. I do not find the receipts for the summer school correspondingly earmarked. What I really want to know is whether the summer school expense is fully taken care of by its receipts. Possibly the general budget benefits from the summer school operations. Possibly it helps subsidize them. I shall appreciate information on this point.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

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Board

September 30, 1936

Mrs. Bertha Loving Mitchell
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

I am writing concerning a matter which has come to the office during the absence of Dr. Holmes, and which needs prompt attention. We have received from the Comptroller's office the following statement:

Mens Build.

White Hall

Laundry Bills

> "Daytona Beach - Cookman Hall. About September 1st, 1935, the school had some repairs made to a hot water heater at a cost of $7.50. This expense was not reported to us or to the insurance company. However, their inspector observed at some later date that the repairs had been made, and if we will secure the repair bill from the school, they are ready to reimburse us.
>
> "Daytona Beach - Curtis Hall. In December, 1934, there was a cracking of sections in this boiler, and the school paid two repair bills, one of approximately $170.00, and the other of approximately $130.00. It seems that these repairs were not reported to us, or to the insurance company, but were observed at a later date by the insurance company's inspectors. If we will secure these repair bills from the school, the insurance company is ready to pay."

1933 instead

note safety Report
Brown

? White Hall

Will you therefore please send us as soon as convenient the three repair bills referred to above?

Thanking you, and with best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Florence R Day

Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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7.50)

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Reference Insp. Report
Letter 6-4-1934.

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Boards

October 2, 1936

To the Presidents:

A news release is going to the Southwestern and to other papers containing the following paragraph:

> "Dean James P. Brawley of Clark University has been appointed by the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church to a position on its staff as Educational Adviser for Schools for Negroes, and will be closely associated with Secretary Merrill J. Holmes in the administration of the work in that department of the Board. The duties of this office will require approximately half of Dean Brawley's time, thus allowing him to continue as Dean of Clark University, giving his time to that institution for certain months of the year."

Dean Brawley was the "inside man" for our Board in the Survey of six years ago. He is a careful student of curriculum trends in education, and thoroughly familiar with the objectives of our schools and with the typical problems.

As he visits the schools he will be glad to confer on any aspects of the work, educational, financial, student, faculty, relation to the Conference, etc., that may deserve discussion. We desire especially that he give attention to curriculum plans and needs and familiarize himself with that aspect of the work in all our schools. We wish him also in this connection to become acquainted with faculty personnel, with a view to helping in suggestions for development of the curriculum or for new teachers needed.

Dean Brawley can provide a kind of assistance so obviously helpful that we are sorry not to have been able to make such an arrangement earlier.

Sincerely yours,

MJ Holmes

MJH.D

Bd of Education

October 29, 1936.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes:

It has taken us longer than we anticipated, in cooperation with Mr. H. R. Williams, to go through our bills for machine and boiler repairs during the past three years, and to isolate those items which refer directly to the boiler mentioned in your letter of September 30. It was for this reason that I did not write to let you know exactly when this information could be sent to you.

Please note by the copy of original invoice, dated January 31, 1935, that the repairs made to the Hot Water Heater in Cookman Hall were made under date of January 24, 1935, instead of September 1, 1935.

Please note on the copies of original invoices, beginning November 29, 1933, indicating the repairs made to the cracked sections of the boiler. This boiler was located in White Hall, not Curtis Hall. This difference is the cause for my confusion, and the delay in getting the matter before you. Repairs were made as indicated on Mr. Williams' itemized statements but it was found, after the sections had been welded and the boiler tested and used for a week that it would not serve the building adequately without danger. On December 13, 1933, Mr. Williams cut out the old boiler and secured a used Boiler for $100, which was installed and put in use. All of these items total more than the figures mentioned in your letter, but our total includes the cost of the Boiler which replaced the broken one, and the materials used for its installation.

I do hope that this will give you the information needed for the Insurance Company, and that they may make the refunds that you deem wise.

All of these bills have been paid in full by the College, and the original invoices are in the files. These original invoices include, however, other machine items of repair (on the laundry equipment, etc) and we secured these copies in order that you might have before you only those items which referred to the job in question.

If there is further information that we should furnish in this connection, kindly let me know.

Very truly yours,

Bookkeeper.

enclosures

Sent 11/18/36
L. R. B.

Please send this information

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November 12, 1936

Mrs. Bertha Loving Mitchell
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

We have received the following note from Mrs. S. E. Hunt, Waymart, Pennsylvania:

> "Will you please tell me where I can obtain some history and facts about Mary Bethune College at Daytona Beach, Florida? I believe it is now connected with Cookman College. I recently heard Mrs. Bethune for twenty minutes and was much interested. Our ladies are asking for information concerning Mrs. Bethune's school."

We are sending Mrs. Hunt two pamphlets which we happen to have, dated 1935: "Our Needs," and "Campus Scenes and Activities of the College." We have told her that we are asking you to send her further information.

We also referred her to the October issue of The Survey Graphic, which contains such a fine article concerning Mrs. Bethune.

Sincerely yours,

Florence R Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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Board

November 17, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I enclose check of the Board for $307.50, which is an insurance adjustment secured from the Hartford Steam Boiler Insurance and Inspection Company and comes to Bethune-Cookman to replace money you have already spent in this connection.

May I suggest that you report promptly to our office any repairs that become necessary on any boilers, including all hot water heaters, and that you report any changes made in such equipment, especially in case you discontinue the use of any such equipment.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,
M J Holmes

MJH.D

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December 21, 1936

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I hope the telegram just sent as a day letter will give the help your trustees need for negotiating the loan.

Designated gifts secured from the Florida Conferences or elsewhere will be available for the school beyond the appropriation payments reported as paid.

My suggestion is that a loan of $2,000 be sought, with the expectation of paying $500 at the end of ninety days and extending the balance. I know how important additional salary payments are going to be at this time of the year.

I hope your meeting at the home of Mrs. Roosevelt proved auspicious.

I have been thinking about our brief conversation at Washington. I do not know of anyone who can head up a campaign for funds except the President of the school. I think you can find someone who, working with you, can carry forward much of the detail. It has been your genius in the past to secure funds for the College, and this, I think, marks the pattern of further progress.

Shall I add here the items in the way of appropriations planned for the current year which have now been cared for:

1.	From general World Service sources:	
	For general appropriation for budget purposes	$2,000.00
	For repairs	2,000.00
	For insurance	4,769.38
2.	From Pfeiffer Fund	5,000.00
	Total	13,769.35

Payments have been made as follows:

On appropriation for 1936-37	2,500.00
August 20 (Repairs)	1,000.00
October 6 "	500.00
About September 1, Pfeiffer Fund	5,000.00
Applied on insurance for the fiscal year	4,769.38
Total	13,769.35

In addition to the foregoing items, the expense of the Certified Public Accountants' two visits was $643.60. This has already been reported for proper record on the books of the school by journal. It is a non-recurring item, but appears upon our records as an appropriation in favor of Bethune-Cookman College.

Under the head of designated gifts the following items have passed through our office:

Received in July, sent to you in August	$20.50
" Sept., " " " " October	10.00
" Nov. " " " " December	15.00
	$45.50

I hope the next six months see a definite increase in funds coming through this particular channel. Of course I know the two Florida Conferences at best will produce only a modest figure.

President Jones tells me that he has been talking with President Nelson of Dillard University, with special reference to his leading in plans for a recognition offering to Bethune-Cookman College.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH.D

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June 10, 1937

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

Your letter of June 2nd arrived during the absence of Dr. Holmes. I therefore forwarded to him your request for $110 repair funds, and have his instructions this morning to send check for this amount to be used for repair items.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Florence T. Day

Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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Re: Hymn [illegible] Books

C O P Y

E BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION
OF THE
ETHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
1701 ARCH STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Copy

October 8, 1937.

Miss Helen E Silvines
206 - 9th Street
New York, New York

My dear Miss Silvines:

Some while ago I received a communication from you suggesting that you had some hymn books which could be used in our colored churches. I wrote and thanked you for the offer and requested that the books be sent for use at Bethune-Cookman College. I wrote the College that you would probably send them one hundred hymnals. This was under date of August [illegible].

I have a letter from the college telling me that they have not received the books and probably they have gone astray in shipment. Will you please give me some information about this?

Sincerely yours,

WAC Hughes

WACH:mve

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October 18, 1937

Mr. Abram L. Simpson
Acting President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Simpson:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 15th, which has arrived during the absence of Dr. Holmes. He will see it when he returns, the 27th.

I presume you know that this money will not be available by November 9th. I believe Dr. Holmes expects to be able to requisition a part of it early in the year. We shall let you know as soon as it is available.

Sincerely yours,

Florence R. Day

Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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FOR NEGROES

740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Board of Ed
Dr. Holmes

December 17, 1937

Mr. Abram L. Simpson
Acting President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Simpson:

I forwarded to Dr. Holmes your request for matching money and have a wire from him today instructing me to send check for $500 from this source, which is here enclosed. He states he is writing you direct.

Special appropriation

Sincerely yours,

Florence R. Day
Secretary to Dr. Holmes

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Dr. Holmes folder

April 19, 1938

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Your letter of April 12th has been forwarded to Mrs. Bethune. She is now in San Francisco, exceedingly busy with many engagements in the interest of the National Youth Administration. She writes that she desires, however, to keep in closest possible touch with Bethune-Cookman.

No doubt, you will hear from Mrs. Bethune within a few days.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Boards

August 18, 1938

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes:

In the absence of Mr. Simpson, may we acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 16, with check enclosed for $600.00, to be used for repairs. We enclose receipt for this amount.

Sincerely yours,

Office Director.

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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

CHESTER W. LOUGHLIN
COMPTROLLER

740 RUSH STREET
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Bd of Education

October 17, 1938

Doctor Abram L. Simpson
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Simpson:

Dr. Holmes' return and approval on the statements of loss sent here in your letter of October 8 makes it possible for me to complete them for you.

I am returning herewith the following claims:

Company	Policy	Amount	
California Ins. Co.	900023	$ 256.54	- Gaudet Ins. Agency
Hartford	1644	719.87	— Bingham & Thompson
"	1465	641.35	— Bingham & Thompson
"	1473	641.35	— Bingham & Thompson
Home of New York	2151	597.29	- Bingham & Thompson
"	2172	316.09	— Bingham & Thompson
N.W.Fire & Marine	5001	481.01	- Gaudet Ins. Agency
	Total	$3,653.50	

Sincerely yours,

Chester W. Loughlin

CWL:RR
Enc.

Bd of Education

MEMO TO: Dr. Holmes

DATE: 11-10-38

For the Lincoln Day number of "The Christian Student" I am looking up a feature article which would study two typical Negro young people. The attempt would be made to take a typical boy and a typical girl and develop something of their early life, secure pictures of them and then show the factors that brought them to one of our schools and a picture at the time of their coming into the school. I should then like to trace their development through the school to their present standing as any seniors or graduate students and show the contributions that the schools have made, ending up with a picture of them at the present time. In order to do this I should like to select two students who will be representative. I would prefer that their special interest would not be in religion and that they be majoring in some field which will turn them out to be laymen, if possible with artistic and professional interests.

I shall be grateful to you if you can assist me in finding this type of person for this study. If it were necessary, and it may be, I should like to interview the students and get acquainted with them. I am wondering if there would be any possibility of finding if any of our graduates of Negro schools are in Chicago University or Northwestern. This means that I might be able to have more time with them and then could trace their relationship to the school back to their school environment.

Thanks for your help.

Harold A. Ehrensperger

Bd. of Education

November 23, 1938

COPY

Mr. Merrill J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Holmes:

Please accept my thanks for the annual financial statement of Bethune-Cookman College enclosed in yours of the 15th. I have looked it over with interest and a few questions come up in my mind as to which you can perhaps enlighten me or pass them on to Mr. Taylor for answer.

Page 6 - Instructional Expenses total $27,103.35 which seems $14,000 more than the addition of the items. As there is no item for teachers' salaries perhaps that is the missing figure. ✓

Page 8 - Losses in Estimated Income. I do not understand just what these items mean.

Page 3 - Employees and faculty perquisites under the Dining Hall and Dormitory receipts. I do not understand what that represents. ✓ ✓

Page 2 - Interest received from Endowment Funds I assume is the settlement of the White Estate matter and covers several years.

I should be interested also in knowing how many teachers there are who receive the unknown amount of salary and how many students produce the tuition in college, high school, second summer session. ✓ I presume that there is somewhere a balance sheet showing the assets classified under real estate, improvements and equipment and also endowment and who holds the latter and how it is invested. I should be interested to have that information also.

I return the report herewith and if there is an extra one extant I should be glad to have it.

I am enclosing copy of this letter in case it is more convenient for you to forward it to Mr. Taylor.

Yours sincerely,

William F. Frothingham
40 Wall St.
New York
N.Y.

Boards

Faculty Application

1103 Lyndale Avenue, North
Minneapolis, Minnesota
February 18, 1939

Special Spring Applica.

Mr. M. J. Holmes, Secretary
Board of Education, M. E. Church
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Holmes:

This letter undoubtedly contains an element of chance, yet I trust will be worthy of the effort.

I am young colored accountant, age 34, single, a member of the class of 1924, Howard University School of Commerce & Finance, major Accounting. From 1924-1929, a member of the Faculty of Tuskegee Institute, one year in the Office of the Chief Accountant and four years Assistant Cashier of the Tuskegee Institute Savings Bank.

From 1929-1930, I was a graduate student at Northwestern University in its School of Business Administration from which I came to Minneapolis and entered active business, managing the Our Economy Market until 1935 when the site was sold to the U.S. Government to make way for the new Housing project. During this period, I enrolled in Minnesota College of Law at nights and received my law degree in 1936. I was employed by the State Department of Education in 1936 as a teacher and conducted classes in both Minneapolis and St. Paul on a part time basis until 1937 when I was appointed the first colored Index Clerk of the State Legislature and was reappointed for the Extra Session.

In October 1937, I was appointed an Accountant in the Finance Department of the State which position I held until the 20th of January 1939 when, upon the assumption of office by the new administration, along with scores of others, I was terminated for reasons of "reorganization." At the present time I have no job and I write you in the hope that there can be made an opening for me somewhere in your organization. I can faithfully assure you that in the event of any favorable consideration, I shall do my utmost to prove worthy.

With thanks I am

Sincerely yours,

Signed Clifford E. Rucker

Board

February 21, 1939.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

May we thank the Board for the check for $200.00, just received, representing February payment on regular appropriation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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enc-receipt.

April 10, 1939.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush St.,
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Dr. Holmes:

Enclosed is an extract of the meeting of the executive board setting forth what is to be done with McLeod Hall and how much is to be spent for the same. The building is to be rebuilt as a temporary practice school building and the amount to be expended is not to exceed the amount that we have available for that particular purpose.

Contracts are to be let only for the plumbing and the electrical work for the building. These contracts were let after competitive bidding from three firms in each case. The building committee, composed of Mr. Snead, Dr. Adams, Mr. Van Poole and myself approved the contracts in thses cases.

The carpenter work has not been let on contract. The services of a foreman, Mr. Thompkins, were secured and he has been receiving for supervision ninety cents per hour. He likewises works on the job as the necessity arises. The committee also approves all purchases made of building materials, getting the lowest price consistant with quality in each case.

The contract for the plumbing was $ 700.00 and the electrical contract was $ 190.00. The remodelling should not and will be stopt before it exceeds four thousand dollars. I trust this answers the question that has been raised. Our past dues bills on the job are now over six hundred dollars.

Sincerely yours,

May 15, 1939.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes:

Your letters of May 11th have been received in the absence of President Bethune from the College.

As copies of this correspondence have been sent to the Washington office you will no doubt hear from Mrs. Bethune within a short while.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Board 1

July 12, 1939.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

Before leaving for Washington yesterday, Mrs. Bethune asked me to send you a note, requesting a payment on the Repairs Appropriation, to reach us this week, if possible. It is very necessary, she feels for us to get started on some of the immediate items.

Your air-special letter to Mrs. Bethune has come this morning. She did not discuss definitely the matter of the literature for endowment. A small leaflet has been prepared for distribution, through correspondence, to those to whom we are appealing for the smaller gifts. No doubt Mrs. Bethune will be able to discuss this matter with you definitely when you see her in Washington.

I enclose the statement of the Endowment campaign, to date. Please note that the total of $5,071.55 has been raised since the Campaign was launched on March 17. $1,027.80 of this amount came in as a result of our "Birthday" party on July 10th. The enclosed release will give you some idea of this event.

We have received, in this Endowment total one $1,000 gift; one $500 gift; one $400 gift; one $150 gift; and twelve $100 gifts. The balance has been in smaller donations and amounts from entertainments. The Bethune-Cookman Alumni clubs of New York City, Miami, Pensacola and Daytona Beach, have sent in gifts from their entertainments, included in this total.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

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July 28, 1939.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes:

May we acknowledge receipt of your letters of July 24th, to President Bethune, with enclosure of check for $700, second payment on repairs appropriation. We enclose receipt for this amount.

The information contained in your letters is, in Mrs. Bethune's absence from the College, being referred to Mr. Snead and Mrs. Ranslow, who are working closely with us in the matters affecting building and repairs.

May we express our appreciation to the Board for this consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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Board

October 17, 1939.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Mr. Rodriguez has written to us from Chicago, requesting us to send him a payment from the special loan fund that is being provided him by your Board.

I recall hearing Mrs. Bethune mention the fact that this Fund is to be administered through Bethune-Cookman, but we have not received this amount from your Board. When it is received, with the instructions, we will send the amounts to Mr. Rodriguez that you may indicate.

May we inquire into the plan of the Board for sending regular appropriation this year? Last year, it was sent monthly, near the end of each month and proved more than helpful to us at that particular time. If the same plan is to be followed this year, we will be very grateful.

Very truly yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

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EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Meadville, Pennsylvania
October 17, 1939

To all Members of the
Educational Association
of the Methodist Episcopal Church —

The annual meeting of the Educational Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel in Philadelphia on Monday, January 8th and Tuesday, January 9th, 1940. This meeting will take the form of a joint meeting with representatives of the educational interests of the former Methodist Episcopal Church South and the former Methodist Protestant Church.

A copy of the program will be sent sometime in advance of the meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Wm. P. Tolley

William P. Tolley,
Secretary.

Please issue check

January 30, 1940.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

Your letter of January 27 has been received in the absence of President Bethune from the office. She was called to Washington unexpectedly, for some special work in connection with the Artists Benefit on February 9th, and will not return to the College until February 11th. I am sending to her there your letter of January 27, which just came this morning, and she will instruct me from there, as to the disposition of the items you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

February 9, 1940.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education
of the Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

In the absence of President Bethune, may I acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 30, and statement showing funds remitted to Bethune-Cookman College for the first six months of the fiscal year.

Our Business office has checked this statement with our records and find that all items check correctly. The remittance of $800.00, from Insurance Reserve, sent August 22, 1939, does not appear on our regular books for the reason that it was credited to the Bethune-Cookman Building Fund, which is separate and distinct from our Operating Account.

Very truly yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell.

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740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

General

April 10, 1940

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

Last week we mailed you form correspondence, asking you to write us a Children's Day letter that we might circulate throughout the Florida and South Florida conferences.

We would be pleased to receive the copy for this letter at your earliest possible convenience. We admit that here in our office we are working under more than the usual amount of pressure, preparing to get away to General Conference by the end of next week. If we might, therefore, have your letter in hand early in the week, or, at the latest, by Wednesday, April 17, we would greatly appreciate it.

Cordially yours,

Miron A Morrill

Miron A. Morrill

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Bonds

April 20, 1940.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

The forms sent from your office on April 8, for use in creating the Budget for 1940-41, have just been received. We are unable to account for the delay in the delivery of this mail, but are making investigation at the postoffice.

We will start immediately upon the preparation of the Budget, but it will not be possible to file it with you for a week or ten days, for it will have to be submitted to Mrs. Bethune for her study. As you know, she is in Johns Hopkins Hospital, being treated for her throat and sinus trouble, and will remain there for two months. We are not disturbing her with many things in connection with the college but I feel that she will be feeling well enough to go over the budget figures within a week, after which they will be sent to you.

With best wishes,

[illegible] yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

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April, 1940

Memorandum to Presidents of Methodist Universities, Colleges, and Schools (of the Former Methodist Episcopal Church):--

Dear Brethren:

Children's Day lies just ahead.

We hope to have the first mailing for the promotion of this day in the mails approximately a week after Easter. Now as to the second mailing:

This is probably the last year in which Children's Day will be promoted on the old basis. For many years past we have tried to make Children's Day an occasion for the exaltation of the child and his place in the family of Christ. We have incidentally pointed children to their hope of a later college career in the educational institutions of the Church. All that is to be changed -- probably for the better. The so called "Committee of Nineteen" raised by the Uniting Conference to study problems involved in missionary and other benevolence giving in Church Schools and in other organizations of children and young people has decided to report to the General Conference at Atlantic City the following legislation with respect to Children's Day:

Paragraph 1121, Discipline of the Methodist Church: "The Division shall promote and administer the Student Loan Fund and other funds established for the aid of students in accordance with Disciplinary provisions governing said funds in the former Methodist Episcopal Church, the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the former Methodist Protestant Church. These funds shall be administered as heretofore until legislation governing the relation and administration of these funds shall be enacted by the General Conference."

Paragraph 1122, (Recommended for insertion by the "Committee of Nineteen"): "One Sunday in each year shall be observed by the Church School as Methodist Student Day (formerly Children's Day or College Day) with an offering for ministerial aid and student loan funds. The date of this day and administration of the fund shall be determined by the Division of Educational Institutions of the Board of Education. Funds raised on this day shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Division of Educational Institutions, and shall not be charged against the Board's share of general benevolences, nor shall a local church receive benevolence or World Service credit for its offering on this day, but shall be given recognition in another column in the pastor's report to the annual conference."

Obviously this legislation demands a new orientation of the day, which up until now in our former Methodist Episcopal Church has been known as Children's Day. Beginning with 1941, we must make the case for the Christian and Church-related institution. We must make it well enough so that in our former Methodist Episcopal Church we can raise approximately $80,000 a year if we are not to fall behind.

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In my humble judgment this is all to the good. The new Methodist Student Day will find its place as an integral part of a new effort which we simply must make to interpret the whole enterprise of Church-related colleges and Wesley Foundations.

You will remember that last year we made an effort to recruit a committee for the promotion of Children's Day in each of the annual conferences of our former Methodist Episcopal Church. Despite that effort most of the promotional letters which finally came to us were — perhaps quite properly — written and signed by college presidents.

Therefore, this year we shall make no further effort to extend the committee organization. We shall keep the records of such steps as have been taken. Meanwhile, immediately after General Conference, the whole structure of Christian Education in the annual conferences will have to be re-organized, anyway.

Therefore, please write us, as soon as possible, a letter, not exceeding 200 words, to go to pastors and Church School superintendents in the constituency of your institution. This letter should ask for the observance of Children's Day and tell what the Methodist Student Loan Fund, augmented annually by the Children's Day offering, has accomplished as administered through your institution.

Replied Apr 17

Respectfully,

Miron A. Morrill
Director of Promotion and Publicity

William J. Davidson
Administrator of the Student Loan Fund

The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church

740 Rush street
Chicago, Illinois

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July 1, 1940.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of the
Methodist Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes:

I have read carefully your letter of June 26, and have noted the information it contained. The instructions as to the identification of the one thousand dollars just sent to us have been given to Mrs. Mitchell and the Business Office. They have also checked our books with the list of gifts from the Board, according to your records. I think our books check with this record.

We have about completed the work for June and are closing the year on the right side of the ledger. I cannot tell you how much this means to me.

I am leaving within an hour for Washington. I have tried to be careful during this week and I am still feeling much better.

With best wishes for your pleasant vacation period, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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(Dictated 6/29/40)

August 9, 1941.

Dr. Merrill J. Holmes,
Illinois Wesleyan University,
Bloomington, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

I have just reached Daytona Beach after an extended trip through Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Michigan and other places.

In Arkansas I spoke to over five thousand rural folk - it was thrilling - the people were so thirsty for hope and inspiration. Last Sunday afternoon in Detroit I addressed an assembly of more than twenty thousand. The Lieuenant-Governor of Michigan was present on the platform and gave remarks at the conclusion of my talk. The occasion was the observance of Negro Patriotic Day, and the program was held at beautiful Belle Isle. It was a most inspiring celebration.

In Oklahoma I attended the Biennal meeting of the National Association of Colored Women, where our women from forty-two States met for one week, discussing the many problems affecting our group in America.

While in Arkansas I visited Little Rock and had a full conference with Harris. I noted with interest the great transformation he has brought about in the appearance and vision of Philander Smith. I have invited him to come to Florida and spend a few days at Bethune-Cookman during the coming school term. He can be very helpful to us.

I find myself this morning seated at my desk with my files piled high. Among my letters, I have your good letter of July 31st. As I read your letter, I am looking back eighteen or twenty years, realizing the differences we have had and the strides we have made. I want here and now to express my deep gratitude to you for the confidence you have had in the work we have been trying to do here. Your spirit of helpfulness, together with your suggestions and criticisms have meant so much to us. As I look around the campus at the buildings and grounds, I cannot but exclaim, "What hath God Wrought" "How has it been accomplished? The buildings and grounds are in better condition than ever before. We have just closed a fruitful year and thank God, without an operating deficit. We are now erecting on the campus a $50,000 Defense Trades Building for Negro boys. The bids will be opened this afternoon for the first unit of the Harrison Rhodes Memorial Library. And, through your goodness and the goodness of those who have faith in our efforts here, and Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer's generosity, $50,000 has been added to our Endowment Fund. May I express my personal gratitude and the gratitude of our faculty and students for this generous gesture in helping to sustain a work which has been built with such sacrifice.

I know that you will be glad to know that my faith of yesterday has been greatly strengthened, and we move on toward greater things because of our enlarged capacities to receive.

Edward Rodriguez will come to us this year to take over the work in our Social Science and Religious Education Department - I know you will be glad to know of his return to us. He will re-enter school during the summers until he has completed work on his Doctorate in the field of his choice.

Bertha Loving Mitchell stands as a stone wall, holding the business key to the Institution with ever increasing efficiency and ability. Her growth has been marvelous. The other reliable workers are standing by with shoulders broadened to help carry on the work.

The State Department of Education has approved of the third year - in 1943 we hope to confer our first degrees. I hope it will be possible for you to be with us on that occasion.

My personal affairs move on in a very constructive manner. I have reason to be most thankful for the blessings which are being multiplied each day.

We rejoice with you and for you in your success in your new field of Service. I am so happy to know that you are finding time for enjoyment of home life. Please remember me tenderly to Mrs. Holmes.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1942.

Mrs. Bertha L. Mitchell,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

On receipt of your letter of March 4th, last evening, we at once wired our Chicago agents of the Boiler Insurance Co., urging them to care for the matter of the girls' dormitory boiler promptly.

Please advise me if there is any delay.

Sincerely yours,

C W Loughlin

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810 BROADWAY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

1942 April 27

Bd of Ed

Mrs. Bertha L. Mitchell
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Mitchell:

The amount available from the Mary B. Cookman Fund is $20.00. The amount available from the Lyman C. Floyd Fund is $12.00

With best wishes, I am

Yours truly,

M S Davage

M. S. Davage

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Dear Mrs Bethune

Here are my suggestions. I endeavored to enter the salary items without change from the present year.

The attached sheets are for the Dean after you see them.

I have left Miss Roberts down as Music Dept head.

Possibly Mr. James should serve as Registrar as a matter of balanced adjustment this year, and with the possibility of his becoming Dean later if you do not appoint him now.

I distinctly feel that the present organization includes more people than are strictly necessary for effective work and economy.

Perhaps these notations will be of more value to you today than a few days later.

I am delighted to have been your guest. Thank you

M. J. Holmes

Personnel for Mrs Bethune.

1.	Dean & Registrar	1520
2.	Math & Athletic Coach	2000
3	Science	1080
4	Language	1080
5	History	810
6	English	1080
7	English & Arithmetic	1200
8	Librarian, Physiol. & Arith	900
9	Agriculture & Gardener	1080
10	Dean of Women	1125
11	Household Arts	900
12	Bible & Relig Educ.	$450.
13	Commercial	1080
14	Music, Head	1530
	Assistant	900
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	Dining Hall Matron & Steward	1500
	Bookkeeper and Cashier	1000
	Secretary to President	900
	Sec to Dean & Registrar & for alumni	1215 + house
	Industrial	1000
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Copy of answer.

Thanks for your telegram. Your explanation of the tragic happening is most heartening. I regret deeply the tragedy and the wide spread publicity of same.
My influence to offset any false implications and impressions will be generously given.
I hold sacred the fair name of our city and our state.

Mary Mc Leod Bethune.

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Board

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
of the
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Merrill J. Holmes
Secretary for
Educational Institutions
For Negroes

To the Committee reporting on Repairs
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Attehtion: Mr. W. S. Snead
Mrs. C. M. Ranslow
Mrs. B. L. Mitchell

Dear Friends:

Your letter of August 1 concerning needed repairs on college buildings is at hand. I believe if the Board of Education can make a further appropriation or secure additional funds for the College, these repair needs should be a first claim on those funds.

We usually consider repair needs as in the following order of importance:

1. Roof and structural needs, including needed repairs to foundations and fire escapes. ✓

2. Windows, doors, including glass puttying and repairs to sash cords locks and hinges.

3. Plumbing, gutters, downspouts, wiring. ✓

4. Paint in interest both of preserving wood and appearance, both outside and inside.

5. Walks and approach to buildings.

We condiser repairs to equipment and addition of new equipment as under a different heading from repairs to buildings. Oftentimes, they need to be caredfor at the same time as repairs to the building.

A question: What kinds of repair work can be done by students or by patrons, in part payment of student accounts? This operates as work scholarships. The College needs to secure the cash to pay for the work but the cash circulates in the College instead of outside in so far as it is earned by students and applied on their accounts.

What you really want to know is whether the Board of Education can supply additional funds toward the repair needs you have listed. I hope so but I will need to wait ten days of two weeks before writing more definitely. We shall hope.

With kindest regards to you all, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJH:W

M. J. Holmes

I received your letter concerning the Loan Association to-day. I did not put Presbyterian on the blank. At least I do not think that I did. I have not become affiliated with that dinomination in any way. I will see Mrs. Scott and try to straighten things out. I hope to come down to Jax soon.

GIFTS TO BE MATCHED BY MONEY FROM "ST. ANONYMOUS"

I am writing concerning our hope for a new gift next year from "St. Anonymous." We are assured of the interest of the donor, but have been informed that the gift will be less than last year. It is particularly the desire of the donor that this gift will stimulate new gifts from others. It is very clear, of course, that no money from regular appropriations, endowment income, bequests, can be counted as money to match the gift of "St. Anonymous." The donor has expressed a special interest in stimulating increased gifts from supporting Negro Conferences. The donor is also interested in knowing just what particular advantage comes to a school by virtue of the anonymous gift.

We wish to take to the donor presently a series of proposals, as a basis for the proposed gift for the new year. In line with the wish the donor has expressed, we wish the schools to devise plans by which the special gift of "St. Anonymous"" will be used to stimulate more giving and giving from new sources. We therefore suggest that a part of the proposed gift to any one school be used to stimulate the Annual Conference collection and other giving from the school's alumni and friends on the two-to-one basis. That is, every $2.00 from the Conference, the alumni and friends will claim $1.00 from "St. Anonymous."

We suggest, also, a series of "projects" or items in the plan of the school which shall be the basis for special appeal for funds this year, the plan being to secure two-thirds of the amount needed from special sources or new sources, thus claiming the last third from "St. Anonymous." For example, one school has suggested the following items:

1. Expenses for Home Economics Department
2. Equipment for rooms in the girls' dormitory - tables,chairs,dressers,particularly.
3. Purchase of one new piano.
4. $600 worth of library books.
5. Four microscopes for the Department of Biology.
6. Budget of $400 for field work for the Department of Sociology.
7. Budget of $225 for the pre-school work (kindergarten) to be carried on under the Department of Education.

Have I made plain the kind of plan that is proposed? We believe this method of naming particular projects or goals in terms of the need of the school, as a basis for the appeal for the Annual Conference collection, the appeal to alumni and friends, and the quest for funds among the list of friends outside the school's constituency, would actually increase the income of the school by developing new resources.

In so far as possible, it is urged that the gift of "St. Anonymous" be claimed by money not receiving World Service credit. We urge this because most World Service money can be secured without the leverage of the "St. Anonymous" gift, and most of it now is being secured without that leverage. This money will come in, in any case. Let's organize plans intelligently and carry them forward industriously for securing gifts from new sources or larger gifts from present sources. This is the purpose which the donor most desires to see realized.

M. J. HOLMES

MJH.D
May 17, 1935

Applications for Positions in Schools for Negroes

Mr. E. Davidson Hutt, 1819 Darrow Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, whose application was reported to you last summer, inquires if there is a vacancy for which he might apply. He has his bachelor of arts degree from Morehouse College; has 25 semester hours of credit from the graduate division, School of Commerce, Northwestern University; six semester hours toward a master's degree in the School of Education, Northwestern University; and has taken two courses in the Summer School for Coaches in the same institution. He has had experience in teaching mathematics and manual training, and has been a successful coach.

Mrs. Maude Bickley, 409 South 8th Street, Ironton, Ohio, inquires if there is an opening in the position of matron. She is a graduate of the normal course of Wilberforce University.

Mrs. Barbara Courtney Jetton, 428 N. Upper Street, Lexington, Kentucky, applies for a position as teacher. She is a graduate of Berea College, has studied at Butler College, Miami University, and the University of Cincinnati. She has been teacher of English and history in Russell High School, Lexington, Kentucky; has been Executive Secretary of three branches of the Y.W.C.A.: Dayton, Ohio ; Jersey City, N. J.; and Newark, N. J. She gives as references the names of Bishop Robert E. Jones; Dr. James H. Robinson, Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio; Miss Eva D. Bowles, 702 West 7th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio

M. J. Holmes

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FREDERICK CARL EISELEN
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Dear Mrs Bethune

I can come through Washington early Thursday morning and have an hour with you at the Union Station, 6:30 to 7:30 A.M. if you will be in Washington and can meet me at that rather unseemly hour. If so please wire me before Wednesday noon at Morristown College, Morristown Tenn., and I will confirm by answering wire and come through Washington.

I must be at Olean, New York for the Genesee Conference Thursday night, and if I do not hear from you will go via Cincinnati.

I should like to talk with you further about Mr. Lovell and the organization of your business office.

If it is your clear judgment that Mr. Lovell can serve the college helpfully I will concur. Mr. Hughes is the only one I have checked with who feels confident Mr. Lovell's abilities in that direction. My personal judgment is that he will disappoint you, but I will set aside my judgment in favor of yours if you wish to try him out.

I am gravely concerned over the organization of your business office. It has not been in line with the express regulations of our Board and it has resulted in unnecessary debt and in some measure cost the confidence of the G.E.B. I must rather talk with you about it than to write, but will do the latter if the suggested conference Thursday morning is not feasible.

Has the G.E.B reported on their final $6 000?

With best wishes for all the multitude of your responsibilities in affairs of education and State I am

Sincerely yours

M J Holmes

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FREDERICK CARL EISELEN
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

En Route
Thursday morning

Dear Mrs Bethune

You were most gracious in our conversation this morning, as you always are. I hope you recognize my concern to help guide matters, if I can, so we shall hold the confidence and have the approval of the General Education Board.

Nor I need to add that no one ever questioned by any intimation the candor and complete fairness of your spirit in handling school affairs or other public interests. There was no point in the conversation when I should have called that to your attention. Confidence in you never lags or weakens. Heartily and

Always sincerely yours
M J Holmes

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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois.

Board of Ed.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
President, Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear President Bethune:

In preparing materials for Lincoln's Day, one item is the assembling of exclusive information for the pastors, which will go directly to them in a letter and will not be published in any other way until after Lincoln's Day. Here are two requests:

(1) Please analyze the present occupation of the graduates last spring from the two-year junior college course, giving number who are teaching, in other occupations, in school, etc. If your school has made a study of its alumni for two years or longer, we should be very glad to have the data.

(2) We should like to secure a number of letters from clear-thinking and appreciative graduates, telling what their college has meant to them, - some of them from earlier graduates. We would therefore suggest that you write a select list of graduates for such a statement, brief but simple and direct, making a request in your own way, preferably without reference to our office. Then please send me a few of the more valuable replies, two or three will be sufficient, more if you have good ones.

We hope the replies may come from people in a variety of fields of work, teaching, business, preaching, medicine, concert work, etc. These statements will likely be of value in your own campaign for students.

In appreciation of your cooperation, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) M.J. Holmes

P.S. What suggestions have you for getting the work of these colleges before the mind of the Church as a whole?

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

To the College President:

For five years, we have received a remarkably helpful gift from the Pfieffers, who until recently required that their name be not used. Hence, the gifts came through to the schools from an anonymous donor. No gift has been pledged by them for the new year as yet. In presenting the matter to them, as I hope to do before the end of August, I wish to have from the president of each of the schools involved, a statement showing what such a gift would be used for during the new year, and how the offer of such a gift on their part would give the president leverage in securing other gifts from other sources.

Let us discuss the second matter first. It will be most acceptable to the donors if their gift (providing they will make the offer for this new year) can be claimed by money from the constituency of the school, especially supporting conferences given without World Service credit and by special gifts from other friends also without World Service credit. As I understand their mind in this matter, they want their giving to promote new and additional funds from other sources. They feel, and rightly so, that gifts which have World Service credit will very largely come to the school whether they make an offering or not. Hence, their desire that gifts which the school uses to match their giving shall be without World Service credit. In a single sentence, therefore, we are suggesting that you set up a plan which with the aid of their hoped for gift, will enable you to secure a considerable sum from the churches from your own territory and elsewhere without World Service credit.

Turning now to the purpose for which this fund shall be used, I suggest that you single out certain aspects of the work of your school which you think would interest them particularly. This may be a particular department of the school work where it may have some new feature which you are very anxious to introduce in order to meet an urgent need.

Some schools have found it possible to do more than match dollar for dollar. These folks have offered and in some cases, have proposed, a plan by which they would raise $2.00 for each $1.00 given by the Pfieffers. In other words, they used the Pfieffer gift as a leverage for raising double that amount.

Please outline your case if you wish it to be considered, and write me in this connection within the next ten days, if possible.

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Holmes

MJH:W

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740 RUSH STREET
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To the new Loan Officer:

Since you are about to assume the responsibility of loan officer and thereby become our representative in dealing with all prospective borrowers from the Student Loan Fund of the Methodist Episcopal Church, it is probably well to have a statement for guidance.

The Student Loan Fund is made up of the Children's Day collections which are presumed to be taken in all the churches on the second Sunday in June of each year, or some other appropriate day. These monies come very largely, therefore, from the children and young people of the church and that ought to have a real influence on the loaning of the monies. The other major source of revenue for the annual loans is funds repaid by former borrowers. In addition we have the interest on loans that were not repaid within the terms of the former conditions, and of course there will be larger interest returns under the conditions now prevailing in the note terms. There is also the interest from an invested fund which furnishes practically all of the expense of the staff necessary for loans and collections, and the cost of printing the Children's Day programs. These programs and all the literature having to do with the observance of Children's Day are distributed without charge to the Sunday Schools. That means that the sort of a program is used that we want used and that all the money taken is sent to us.

It is of outstanding importance to us that loan officers appreciate the relationship involved. They do represent their institutions, but in a more important sense they represent the interests of the Board of Education and we confidently expect them to guard the interests of the Student Loan Fund with the same care that might be expected from a member of our staff. Since the only security is that of character and the ability to earn and repay the obligation we are without any safe-guard except the good judgment of the loan officer in making recommendations. Of course I am aware of the recommendations of the pastors and the men associated with them on the church recommendation form, but we consider the report of the Loan Officer as being of greater significance.

Since this is a trust fund and a revolving fund we cannot justify an emotional attitude in dealing with prospective borrowers or in terms of repayment with those who have borrowed. A lack of any of the requirements set out in the bulletin should be sufficient to disqualify a student. We would consider ourselves remiss if we allowed any borrower to secure aid without a perfectly secure understanding that he is borrowing and that the loan must be repaid at the times and in the amounts required by the notes. All things considered, including the presumed Christian character of everybody involved, we certainly ought to have a very much better record than obtains in any other student loan fund.

Some of the eminently successful student loan officers have found it very desirable to gather preliminary information about a student before passing out the forms for our loans or any other type of aid. I am enclosing a sample of the form that we use for some preliminary information for students who are attending non-Methodist institutions and who must conduct their correspondence with this office. It may suggest a possible form for you, or you might find it well to use a form closely paralleling our application blank but gathering other information so that you and those associating with you might be able very wisely to allocate loans, scholarships, campus jobs, etc. We do not want to hold out the probability of a loan unless there is an altogether reasonable expectation that it will be granted. For example, to have the church recommendation forms filled out by the officers of the church raises certain confident expectations. If they cannot be fulfilled, it may jeopardize the Children's Day collection in that church for years to come. If any doubtful cases arise, we are perfectly willing to assume full responsibility in the making of decisions and it is easier and less embarrassing to handle these before the forms are filled out than after.

There is presumed to be a record at the school of all former loans that have been granted and the loan officer is presumed to keep this record current by adding new loans granted and recording the payments that are made. The postings of the new loans should not be made until the loans are finally approved by us. The postings of payments are to be made from the carbon copies of receipts which are mailed to you at the close of each month from this office. The main responsibility for the collection of loans rests with us, but we do need and expect the constant cooperation of the institution. It is hoped, therefore, that you will keep a watchful eye on the records from time to time, particularly looking after the old accounts.

We are eager to be helpful and cooperate in any way that may suggest itself to you so do not hesitate to write us regarding any question which may arise.

Sincerely yours,

J P MacMillan

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
WILLIAM S. BOVARD
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

DIVISION OF
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
ALBERT E. KIRK
SECRETARY
JOSEPH P. MACMILLAN
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

740 RUSH STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Dear Friend:

You are applying for a loan from the Board of Education, and I wish, first of all, to establish with you relations of friendly interest. Then I desire to make clear certain business matters.

If you accept a loan, you undertake a debt, and speaking broadly, a debt ought to be avoided. If you can get along without borrowing, do so; but if you must borrow or give up your education, then take council with your courage, for an education is worth sacrifice and risk.

You are asked to sign a note. Perhaps this is your first note. Read it carefully and make sure that you know what it means. What you are to receive is a loan and you agree to pay it, with interest, just as soon as you are able. The conditions are generous, fair and right. The fund is a revolving fund, using what former beneficiaries pay in to help new borrowers. This puts you under a special moral obligation to pay, not when convenient, but as soon as you can. Do not assume, or let any one assure you, that the note means less than it states.

For our use in passing upon your application, kindly answer the following questions, sign your name, and return this sheet to the office.

(1) Is it necessary for you to borrow? ____________________

(2) Have you read the note carefully? ____________________

(3) Do you understand that you agree to repay your loan with interest? ____

With best wishes, I am

Yours very sincerely,

J P Mac Millan

Director, Student Loan Fund.

____ ____________________

Sign and return Date

CHURCH RECOMMENDATION

For..
Name of student

Attending..
Name of institution

SPECIAL CONDITIONS TO BE NOTED BY THOSE SIGNING THIS FORM

The applicant must be a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church of at least one year's standing and possess a well-established Christian character and such intellectual qualities and fondness for study as give promise of more than ordinary usefulness. He must be at least eighteen years of age and, except under special conditions, must attend a school of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He must have shown to the officers of the church of which he is a member and to the faculty of the institution he is attending that he is disposed to practice self-denial, self-reliance and self-help. He must understand that money which he may receive from the Board is a loan, and church officers are requested to recommend only those persons who, they feel assured, will strive faithfully to pay the full amount of the loan as soon as possible.

To The Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church:

We, the officials of the..church,
....district,..annual conference,
being informed that M..
applicant's name
is desirous of continuing her his education, and having personal knowledge of the Christian character, the integrity, the talents, and the health of M..
applicant's name
and believing that she he will hold to business obligations with the strictest fidelity, consider her him a suitable person to receive a loan from the Children's Day Fund of The Board of Education under conditions as printed on this form.

M...has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal
applicant's name
Church for...........................years, and a member of our local church for........................
years, and has been an attendant upon Sunday School for.......................years.

Aid to students is granted as a loan, never as a gift.

This recommendation is required in every case before a loan can be granted—except when the applicant is licensed as a local preacher or is a member of an annual conference.

....
Pastor

Address...

....
Sunday School Superintendent

Address...

....
Treas. or Sec'y of Official Board of Quarterly Conference

Date..............................

Address...

Please read the detailed conditions on the back of this blank

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THE maximum sum that may be secured to the end of the college course must not exceed $600. Students who go on into graduate professional courses or theological school cannot borrow to exceed a total of $750.

Interest is charged at the rate of five per cent a year from July 1 next succeeding the date of the borrower's leaving school permanently or for a period exceeding one-half of a school year.

Interest is payable semi-annually, the first payment becoming due January 1 next after the borrower leaves school.

No interest is charged while the borrower is in full time school attendance.

The borrower agrees to repay the loan with interest as soon as possible, and at least ten per cent during the first year beginning July 1 next after leaving school; ten per cent during the second year; fifteen per cent during the third year; twenty per cent during the fourth year; twenty per cent during the fifth year and twenty-five per cent during the sixth year.

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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

William S. Bovard
Corresponding Secretary

Division of
Educational Institutions
Albert E. Kirk, Secretary

Institutions for Negroes
M.J. Holmes, Secretary

740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President, Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

This letter will present my suggestion as to the work which might be offered Perry James, and I shall be greatly interested in your very frank opinion as to whether such a plan is feasible or not.

From slight personal acquaintance with Mr. James, and from reports of his associates, it is my opinion that he is well qualified as a teacher, and of course well versed in the field of Religious Education. I would be very slow to advise such a man to give up a special field of work to turn purely administrative and financial activities. It would be in accord with his call to the ministry, his preparation, and his experience if he could devote his time chiefly between college work, with special attention in the field of Religious Education, and field work in the Florida and South Florida Conferences as Director of Religious Education. In his former capacity a part of his time might well be given to making contacts with Foundations and State authorities in education, but his major task would be teaching. As for the second part of his work, he would, I presume, develop certain strategic centers from which the work might be extended to surrounding charges. He could also help in the Epworth League Institutes and Training schools. In a general way, through the handling of his college courses, he would be training young people while in college for more effective work in the local church, and through the conducting of Training Schools and Institutes at various centers in the two Conferences, he would help to make more effective those already working in the Church.

This letter closes with at least two questions: (1) Is an expert in the field of Religious Education needed for some such program as is outlined? (2) If such a worker is needed, is Perry James the right man, and is he available?

I am willing to discuss with you when I see you your suggestions for an Executive Secretary. If your Board of Trustees approves an arrangement which brings such an officer to Bethune-Cookman College, I am sure the Board of Education will raise no objection provided the necessary salary and expense can be cared for.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) M.J. Holmes.

MJH:D

THE REMAINDER OF THIS FOLDER CONSISTS OF FRAGMENTS OF LETTERS, NOTES, AND MISCELLANEOUS UNDATED MATERIALS.

There is no way to back up. We must simply go ahead. You may be sure our interest in your situation does not abate. Even so, we have to recognize that Bethune-Cookman College, just like other schools, must find within its constituency and friends its resources, and must handle its program inside such resources as can be found.

With best wishes for the success of your trip, I am

Sincerely yours,

MJHolmes

MJH.D

P.S. My wire of yesterday requires some explanation. The Board has no funds for an additional appropriation, which is the only way of real relief. Nor does the Board have funds for a loan, which, as a matter of fact, would only postpone the actual adjustment without really helping. If we can secure additional funds from any source for Bethune-Cookman, they will go forward promptly. I am writing Mrs. Phillips a special letter today, but you can guess about as well as I can whether it is likely to yield returns. I do not know to whom else to appeal. It seems to me quite possible for Mr. Snead to satisfy the contractor's anxieties at least for the present.

books by a valid amount because by the time the books are actually completed, the amount will be in hand.

Of course, what you really want in the accounts of the college is a factual record of the year to year expenses and if you go very far beyond the usual closing date of the fiscal year, you simply reduce the income for the new year. I believe the suggestion given above will enable you to accomplish what you have in mind in this connection.

Are you to be in Washington during the middle of July? The Executive Committee of our Board meets July 11 and a Committee on Educational Institutions for the new set up meets in Cincinnati July 17, so my schedule is fixed for these two dates.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

M J Holmes

MJH:W
cc to Daytona Beach

ministers of this nation for Christian education, and certain income from invested funds, though most of the invested funds are designated for particular purposes.

It seems to me that the most promising opportunity for fulfilling the agreement of the Board is by organizing a plan by which the Board shall ask people to make contributions specifically for Bethune-Cookman College. If this is done, the wise way to handle it is to make it a part of the campaign which may be organized with headquarters at the College.

Referring to your letter, the Board of Education has as genuine concern for Bethune-Cookman College as for any of the schools which it sponsors. I feel sure your trustees and the members of the Board of Educatiom would naturally expect the two agencies to work in close cooperation in advancing the interests of Bethune-Cookman College. I wonder if you mean to say that your trustees feel the Board of Education must find $100,000 for Bethune-Cookman College quite independent of any campaign which may be organized and condutced with Daytona Beach as the headquarters?

The whole situation may be summed up by saying that the Centenary movement of the Methodist Episcopal Church made pledges to the Board of Education for Negroes which were paid only in part. The unpaid part of the pledge never can be collected as the Centenary movement is no more. The Board of Education for Negroes expected to pay to Bethune-Cookman $100,000 of this unpaid portion. Since this money was never received by the Board, it could not be paid to Bethune-Cookman. The Board, of course, must devise some new way of securing this fund since the old source has failed. My suggestion is that the matter be cared for by a campaign for $200,000, or more, sponsored in part by the Board of Education. If you think of a plan by which the Board can provide for its expected gift to Bethune-Cookman equally or more satisfactory thah the one I have proposed, we shall be very glad to consider it.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) M.J. Holmes

MJH.D

These are some of the handicaps we have faced during the past few years. In addition there have been other calamities in the section - the disastrous Real Estate Boom, the hurricanes, the floods, the Mediterranean fly. We have made some new friends but have not been able, in the face of existing conditions, to bridge the deficit resulting from these misfortunes.

The Slater Fund is contributing $540 to us this year to apply on salaries; the Julius Rosenwald Fund is contributing $5,000 for the calendar year 1931, $3,000 for the calendar year 1932 and $2,000 for the calendar year 1933, to help us on current expenses. This grant is payable quarterly and we will receive two quarters of the amount allotted for 1931 during the scholastic year.

We must meet our every day expenses and pay our capable force of workers. How can we do it? After tossing all last night, I thought I would write to you, Mr. Davis, and to Mr. Favrot and to Dr. Holmes. The teachers and students are facing the problem with us courageously. The teachers have been asked to agree to a ten percent reduction of their salaries for the balance of the school year. I am enclosing copy of a letter I wrote our Executive Committee a few days ago, which indicates my feeling in the matter of salary.

We have a deficit, I am sorry to state, that represents the accumulations of five years of handicaps such as those I have mentioned in this letter. Facing this deficit and the budget needs for keeping our doors open this year, I am hereby appealing to the General Education Board for financial reinforcement on salaries and maintenance of Bethune-Cookman College.

In view of the fact that we are striving earnestly to meet, in equipment, quality of work and training of teachers, the requirements of the State and National Educational agencies, we are seeking your cooperation in the preparation of our teachers for larger service. I have given you, in a previous communication, detailed statements concerning four of our workers whom we desire to study next year. May I now make formal application to your Board for scholarships for these workers, in order that they may secure the additional training they need.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

[illegible] - Ccs - Dr. [illegible] Holmes, Mr. [illegible] Favrot

Special Correspondence

Bond, (Dean) James A

Bond

Library

October 4, 1935

Mrs. H. M. L. James
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. James:

I regret exceedingly that the library was closed last night and that you did not notify me. Many students came up from the city and were disappointed. Students on the campus have reported to classes today unprepared because of inability to get into the library.

Please be advised in future to inform me in advance of inability to have the library open at the scheduled time and I shall provide someone for the job.

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg

Teachers

Teaching

January 26, 1936

Mr. D. C. Green
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Green:

This communication comes in an attempt to aid you in the solution of your problem with reference to new entrances into Music 102. I realize, in the first place, that you do have a difficulty in receiving into your class these people who have not yet had Music 101. It is a difficulty, however, that is more easy of solution than the average problem. I am requesting that they remain in Music 102 and that you have three conferences, at least, per week with these new people at a time convenient to yourself and them, at which time you will attempt to supply the necessary apperceptive, and factual background for the successful prosecution of the work in Music 102.

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg

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Teachers

Faculty Absences

February 18, 1936

Mr. D. C. Green
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Green:

The arrangement you have by which Miss Styles has frequently assumed the instruction of your Public School Music class is entirely unsatisfactory with me. My knowledge of music, as such, is limited, but my knowledge of school administration and the training of Miss Styles in this field is sufficient to warrant me in saying to you that in future when you find yourself unable to meet your class, please inform this office, and I will provide the substitute teacher or dismiss the class.

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg
Cc: President Bethune

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Teacher

Faculty Assignments

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February 24, 1936

Mrs. M. G. Hoffman
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Hoffman:

The third quarter begins March 9. I am asking you at that time to be responsible for the instruction of the freshman class--the introductory course--in Religion. I do not wish that this shall be a course in methods; nor yet a course in the extended development of the origin, and growth of Christianity alone. To narrow it thus would be to defeat the purpose of course, which is that of initiation in the large area of religion. I should like for it to be a survey course, touching upon the larger and more important religions of the world, the fundamental tenets and beliefs of those religions, their social implications and significances in the various fiels of religious thoughts, and their contributions to our social heritage.

I suggest that now you explore the library to ascertain references for the proper prosecution of the course, and make up a bibliography which you will distribute to the members of the class at the first meeting; that you will provide me on, or before, the ninth of March with a tentative outline of the course, and that later, you will give me a more detailed and carefully worked out syllabus, om outline for the course.

I am giving you this assignment with the feeling that your preparation and training should fit you better to offer this work than any other member of our faculty. It will be an opportunity for you to make a real contribution to our academic life and in furthering the objectives of these introductory courses.

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg
Cc: President Bethune

Refer to Pres. Bethune

Moore Academy
Dade City, Florida
November 13, 1936

Dean James A. Bond
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dean Bond:

I told you some time ago, that we lost our School building by fire. At the same time, we lost all of our athletic equipment.

I am trying to replace our basketball equipment this term. Knowing that Bethune-Cookman usually has on hand a number of tennis shoes, given by The Endicott-Johnson CO. I am asking if you will be so kind as to donate us some of those shoes, for our basketball teams; both boys and girls? Thank you so much for your assistance in this matter. I am

Respectfully yours,
O. K. Mickens
O. K. Mickens

Glad to help you

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, PRESIDENT
MRS. C. M. RANSLOW SECRETARY-TREASURER

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
Daytona Beach, Florida

OFFICE OF
JAMES A. BOND
DEAN AND REGISTRAR

February 4, 1937

Mrs. Dazalia Cook Kelly
Box 23
Hastings, Florida

Dear Mrs. Kelly:

I am answering your letter of February 2 addressed to President Bethune, regarding your transcript of credits sent to Dean Thomas, Florida Normal and Industrial Institute, St. Augustine, Florida. It is impossible for us to give credit value to the courses that you took during the summer of 1928 and the summer of 1929 for the reason that we do not have on file a transcript showing high school graduation. For that reason, then, we can only indicate the grade made.

Very truly yours,

Jas A Bond
Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg
Cc: Dean Thomas

Student

February 20, 1937

Mrs. Dazalia Cook Kelly
Star Route, Tocoi Road
St. Augustine, Florida

Dear Mrs. Kelly:

I have your letter and in answer I write to say that if you will have the high school principal under whom you graduated send me a transcript of your high school record showing high school graduation with 15 or 16 units, I shall be glad to indicate the college credit that you earned in 1928 and 1929, if your high school graduation occurred before 1928.

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Bond

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February 25, 1938

Dr. Doak S. Campbell
George Peabody College
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Campbell:

Replying to your letter of February 22, I regret to advise that the current supply of catalogs has been exhausted. We are, however, placing your name on our mailing list to receive one as soon as they are available.

Very truly yours,

James A. Bond

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C.C.:President Bethune

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, PRESIDENT

MRS. C. M. RANSLOW SECRETARY-TREASURER

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE

Daytona Beach, Florida

OFFICE OF
JAMES A. BOND
DEAN AND REGISTRAR

I shall be
happy to serve
on this committee

February 27, 1937

Mrs. B. L. Mitchell
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

We are planning our annual financial drive by students, faculty members, and friends. In order to do this job effectively, there must be very closely knit organization and direction. I am, therefore, asking if you will consent to become a member of this steering, or guiding committee. Your immediate answer will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Jas A Bond

Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg

March 4, 1937

Dean James A. Bond
Bethune-Cookman College

Dear Dean Bond:

I shall be happy to serve on the Guiding Committee for the Annual Financial Drive.

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Mitchell

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Jenker

March 31, 1937

Mr. H. M. L. James
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. James:

Our program for the summer school calls for a library fee of one dollar per term from those in attendance on the summer school. The payment of this library fee, automatically, therefore, entitles them, not only to the use of the library as a reading or reference room, but also gives them the privilege to draw books on their personal cards. You will please work out a satisfactory arrangement by which this may be done.

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg
Cc: President Bethune

Student A

April 19th, 1937.

Mr. James Adams,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Adams:

At the meeting of the Student Aid Committee, held this morning, it was agreed to return you to your regular project work, because you are not adapted [illegible] the work in the Boarding Department.

Kindly report back to Mr. Richardson, supervisor of your project, with this information, on April 20, 1937.

Very truly yours,

THE STUDENT AID COMMITTEE,

By:
Jas. A. Bond, Chairman.

JAB-m

Student C.

April 19th, 1937.

Mr. Sylvester Coger,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Coger:

At a meeting of the Student Aid Committee, held this morning, it was agreed to discontinue the aid being allowed you for work in the Dining Hall, effective at the close of today, because of your indifference and the general inefficiency of your service. Please make arrangements to take care of the balance of your school charges, from this date, in cash.

We regret that it has been necessary to take this action.

Very truly yours,

THE STUDENT AID COMMITTEE,

By:
Jas. A. Bond, Chairman.

JAB-m

Cc - Mr. Cochrane

Student
"C"

April 19th, 1937.

Mr. George Carr,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Carr:

At a meeting of the Student Aid Committee, held this morning, it was agreed to discontinue the aid being allowed you for work in the Boarding Department, at the close of today, because of your indifference and the general inefficiency of your service. Please make arrangements to take care of the balance of your school charges, from this date, in cash.

We greatly regret that it has been necessary to take this action.

Very truly yours,

THE STUDENT AID COMMITTEE,

By:
Jas. A. Bond, Chairman.

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Cc - Mr. Cochrane

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE

Daytona Beach, Florida

MEMORANDUM

FROM

THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

May 1 - 1937

Date

TO - Dean Bond -

In acknowledging the attached letter, I secured an extension of time for Bethune-Cookman to give final reply to the proposition of Mr. Hatch. I expected to place it before Mrs. Bethune when she came down. As she will not get here before May 5, the date when I must let Mr. Hatch know what we will do, I am asking your advice in the matter.

Highly desirable; a
question of money, however;
blm
doubt its relative value
when so many things are
needed –

SIGNED J Max Bond

Re: Student

May 8, 1937

Mrs. J. A. Davis
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Davis:

Bernice Cheeseborough is now in the office and reports that you advised her to come to me. She states that you feel that she is undertaking work that she cannot do and would prefer a change. We are, therefore, having her to finish today, Saturday, and will try to give you a girl in her place to begin Sunday morning.

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg
Cc: Mrs. Mitchell

Faculty

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida
July 23, 1937

Dean James A. Bond
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Dean Bond:

May I express my appreciation for being given the opportunity of serving as Instructor in Music.

I realize that there is a decrease in enrollment during the second session, but it was a great surprise to be offered a salary of fifty ($50.00) dollars for five weeks of professional service.

My teaching hours are more than those of the first session and I do feel that my compensation should be as much if not more.

If the money is not available, I would accept as much as you can give in cash and the balance can be paid within a reasonable stated time.

Again let me thank you for all consideration.

Very truly yours,

Duncan C. Green

Duncan C. Green.

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September 4, 1937

Mrs. F. E. Wilburn
25 Louis Street
Asheville, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Wilburn:

I have your letter of recent date with enclosure of money order in the amount of six dollars and seventy-five cents ($6.75), deposit room rent and rental of mail box of your daughter, Margaret. This has been turned into the office of the Business Manager from whom you will receive your receipt.

As to the room assignment which you request, the Business Manager informs me that room 27 will be held for an instructor, but he promises to reserve a room for Margaret which will be equally as satisfactory. You will hear from him in detail on this point.

With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

Jas. A. Bond

JAB:meg

WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION
WALKER-JOHNSON BUILDING
1734 NEW YORK AVENUE NW.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

HARRY L. HOPKINS
ADMINISTRATOR

December 6, 1937.

Mr. James Bond, Dean,
Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Bond:

I am enclosing herewith my check for the first installment of the subscription that I promised to your institution while I was there last summer.

Very sincerely yours,

James A. Atkins
James A. Atkins.
Home Address: 915 S St., N.W.

A/mls

(Enc.)

Mrs. Mitchell =
please acknowledge
J. A. B.

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September 12, 1938

Mr. George H. Smith, Jr.
1406 Cleveland Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Smith:

I have your letter of September 11. It occurs to me that a boy has been selected for the printing. I am not sure. I am, however, referring your letter to Mr. Abram Simpson, Acting President, who will in due course answer.

Very truly yours

James A. Bond

JAB:mg

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Telegram sent
9/19/38

See Telegram file for message

Bill and other items in Mrs. Mitchell's folder.

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September 19, 1938

Mr. H. Thompson
Thompson's Restaurant
Union Station
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Thompson:

I have your letter of September 17 regarding your son, Luther Thompson, and his financial status in this institution. I regret that I am unable to give you the information you desire but I am referring your letter to the office of the Acting President, Mr. Abram Simpson, with the request that he give it immediate attention.

Very truly yours

James A. Bond

JAB:mg

Cc: Mr. A. L. Simpson.

Dear Mr. Hall:

The Students of Bethune-Cookman College are asking for a re-election of Miss Bethune-Cookman. The reason for asking for a re-election is based on the following fact: According to the record in the Dean's office and the Business office, there are one hundred eighty-one (181) students enrolled in Bethune-Cookman College. The votes for the candidates running for Miss Bethune-Cookman as officially reported were as follows:

Miss Willie B. McKnight ---	147
Miss Alice Ayer ----------	92
TOTAL -	239

Subtracting 181, the number of students enrolled in Bethune-Cookman College from 239, the number of votes reported for the candidates, we have fifty-eight (58) votes unaccounted for. We feel that an error has been made in the counting of the votes.

May we hear from you soon.

Very truly yours,
STUDENTS:

Elaise Trautman
Wilma D. Hart
Ernestine Williams
Thelma L. Myers
Hazel Thomas
Rosalie Lloyd
Edna Forest
Marie Marshall
Thelma Johnson
Ruth Allen
Albert M. Bethune Jr.
Pauline L. George
Juanita C. Hamilton
Robt. L. Clarke
Alice M. Sullivan
Ernest Lee Chase
Eloise A. Whitehead
Marie Lee Davis
[illegible] M. Anderson
Beatrice Bland
Letitia Townsend
Albertha Davis
Everette Ingram

Gertie Cunningham
Oreatha McGhay
Essie L. Cato
Mildred A. Jackson
Evelena Williams
Ora Lee Simmons
Marguerette Juanita Bai
Felicia E. Walker
Esrena Nix
Mercedes Stubbs
Aldonia Hill
Alice Aurelia Nelson
Annie Mae Pickett
Odessa Mae Jones
Emily [illegible]
Emmaline Knight
John Astis
Geraldine Whitaker
Millie Baity
[illegible]
[illegible]
Valerie Jones
[illegible] Jones
Alleia M. Taylor
Stellena Chesby

Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.
May 9, 1939.

MEMO to

Dean Bond.

Mrs. Ranslow and Mrs. Taylor request that the following statement be included in our next issue of the catalog:

> All students should bring quilted mattress pads, as part of their necessary room equipment

I am suggesting that this statement be inserted in the Circular of Information when the proof is received.

B. L. Mitchell.

Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

May 9, 1939.

Memo to

Dean Bond.

Mrs. Ranslow and Mrs. Taylor request that a statement be included in in the next issue of The Catalog, to the effect that

> ALL STUDENTS SHOULD BRING QUILTED MATTRESS PADS WITH THEM, as part of the necessary Room equipment.

I have been thinking that this statement might be inserted in the Circular of Information also, when we receive the proof to be read.

B. L. Mitchell.

COPY

May 13, 1939

Mr. D. E. Williams, State Agent
Department of Public Instruction
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mr. Williams:

Thank you for your letter of April 15 regarding Mr. Hunter N. Johnson. I write to say in the first place, that the only conversation that has passed between you and me regarding Mr. Johnson has been a question when you asked me how Mr. Johnson was getting along. I replied simply that he was unsatisfactory. His statement to you, therefore, that I reported to him that you said that he work was unsatisfactory and that the school could not get an "A" rating while he was on the faculty is a fabrication of the first water. I have told Mr. Johnson on two occasions that I, and I only recommended to Mrs. Bethune that his work was unsatisfactory, and because it was unsatisfactory I could not recommend his re-appointment.

When I say his "work", I have reference to mathematics. At the beginning of the school year I needed a teacher of mathematics. Mrs. Bethune informed me that that teacher of mathematics must also be able to coach athletics and to get as Dean of Men. When Mr. Johnson came here seeking appointment he told Mr. Simpson and me very frankly that mathematics was not his field. As the year was far gone I said to Mr. Johnson and to Mr. Simpson that I would not offer this year College Algebra and Trigonometry, that Iwould offer only Introduction to Mathematics which was largely arithmetic, and that therefore I would be willing to try Mr. Johnson. I was not then, surprised that he was not able to do his teaching assignment successfully. Please note that my primary interest is in his teaching of mathematics. As Director of Instruction, his ability, or inability as a coach, his ability of inability as Director of Men concern me only secondarily. Since he was not able to do the mathematics, and since these other two duties are tied up in the same man, obviously I could not recommend him for re-appointment.

I do not know of the existence here of a"situation of pure politics I am sure that Mrs. Bethune will be interested when shereturns to the campus of learning first-hand from Mr. Johnson the details of this "situation of pure politics". I am sure also that she will be interested in the situation of "passing of the buck", in as much as I straight-forwardly stated that I would not recommend Mr. Johnson for reappointment and have not changed my mind since that time, and of course Mrs. Bethune is able to stand on her own feet.

It is regrettable and an injustice to Mr. Johnson that administrators and executives during these years have not yet been able to recognize his high academic rating.

Very truly yours,
James A. Bond.

JAB:mdg
Cc: Mr. H. N. Johnson
Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune

Sent
Commencement
Announcement 5/22/39

THE TAMPA DAILY TIMES
TAMPA, FLORIDA

DAVID E. SMILEY
EDITOR AND PRESIDENT
RALPH NICHOLSON
GENERAL MANAGER
VICE PRES., TREAS.

WDAE
COLUMBIA NETWORK

May 20, 1939

Dean James Bond
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona, Florida

Dear Dean Bond:

To date, we have not received any copy on your commencement program.

Kindly send me listing of graduates and speakers for events to be held on the campus.

We had expected to be invited to exercises this year. Let us hear from you regarding this subject.

Very truly yours,

Herbert Henderson

BETHUNE-COOKMAN CLUB
#
334 Northwest 10th Street
Miami, Florida

40^{00}

May 26, 1939.

James A. Bond, Dean
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dean Bond,

We are sending this P. O. Money Order for $40.00 to help with the endowment fund. Please present it to Mrs. Bethune with our compliments. We do not intend to stop here but will go on and on.

Please announce to the students from Miami to register with our Club as soon as they come home in order to help with our summer activities.

Very truly yours,

Bethune Cookman Club.

Guy T. Glover

Guy T. Glover, President.

Receipt #107
6/10/39

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Mr. Mitchell

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WORK
IN
AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS
STATE OF FLORIDA

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE,
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA,
AND UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
OF AGRICULTURE,
COOPERATING

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE
COUNTY AGENT AND
HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK

551 N. Pleasant St.
Gainesville Fla.
Sept. 9, 1939

Dean Bond & Mrs. Mitchell
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla

Dear Dean Bond & Mrs. Michell:

Three girls finished the high school course here last year. They are 4-H club girls. Two of them have been 4-H club members for six years and have completed several projects creditable.

I think they will be a distinct assect to the college in that they all sing well. They were heard by Miss Roberts and Mr. Coleman in

Ocala. Recently Mr. Coleman was in my office and wanted to know if their application was in there. I told him I had two 4-H club girls applications in there and that I would send the singers names in directly.

I asked Dean Bond to listen to the girls last evening at High Springs. I hope it will be possible for you to grant these girls, Misses Hazel & Maple Strong and Miss Marjorie Standley ~~a~~ scholarships. Maple Strong and

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Please excuse this blotched letter,
My pen is responsible.

Marjorie Standley were in 1st and 2nd place in standing in class.

I will ask you to confer with Miss Roberts also Rev & Mrs. Hacker about the possibility of making the girls outstanding singers as they each have good musical voices and sing well.

Please let me hear from you and may they receive scholarship thanks at once.

Yours Very Truly
Mary Todd McKenzie
L. H. D. A.

Mrs Mitchell

1128 McDonald Ave.
Eustis, Florida
September 9, 1939

Dean James A. Bond.
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Sir:

I wonder if I can pay part of the entering fee since I don't have all of it if I can do so please let me know.

Yours truly
Lula McClendon

We regret ~~that~~
we can make no
extension on entrance
expenses—

September 10, 1939

COPY

Mr. Charles E. Boyer
Executive Secretary
Tampa Urban League
1615 Lamar Avenue
Tampa, Florida

Dear Mr. Boyer:

I have your letter of September 9 regarding the application of James Conley for an NYA scholarship. To date we have not ourselves heard definitely from the National Youth Administration headquarters regarding Federal funds for this year. Hence, we have not been able to reply to the many applications for college aid. I am thinking that perhaps if he can pay his tuition and entrance fees and one or two month's board the college would accept him for the first quarter at least. I am referring your letter to the President's office from which you will receive a definite answer presently.

Very truly yours,

James A. Bond.

JAB:mg

Mrs Mitchell

Cocoa Fla.
Sept. 11, 1939

Dean James A. Bond.
Daytona Beach Fla.

My Dear Dean;

Just a week or two ago I received a letter from you asking that I send to the school a student I had my niece make application for N.Y.A. scholar ship while I was there in summer school I am hoping she will be ascepted; I am again asking that you send to Ola McGhee a permit as a day student I am sure she will be ready to enroll at the opening Send it Ola McGhee, Cocoa, Fla. That will be two I am enfluencing for B.C.C. this term.

I should like to hear from you

by return mail concerning My niece, Louise Jackson, concerning the N.Y.A. Scholar Ship. I talked with Pres. Bethune and Mrs. Mitchell and Mr. Mitchell gave me a blank to have her fill and return to the office, this was done. Miss Ola Mc Ghee will be ready to enter on the opening day.

Thanks for Courtesies already shown in the past.

Yours Respt.
Jessie Ruth Monroe,
P.O. Box 484
Cocoa, Fla

Enthusiastic repponse to announcement
of NYA special project makes it possible
for us to accept anly one boy from
Each town - We have accepted OCurlist
Alexander from
Hawthorne -

Thank her for interest

Hawthorne, Fla.
Oct. 2, 1939

Dean J. A. [illegible]
B. C. College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Sir:

Will you consider and attempt to get Leroy Walker as an applicant for the special allotment for one of the boys to take Crafts and mechanical arts? He is the boy I told you about this summer. I am sure that you and the institution would be well pleased with his ability and his work. He sent to B.C.C. for a blank for N.Y.A. assistance.

If by any means you can use him write to this address:

Leroy Walker,
Hawthorne, Fla.

May I hear from you in regards to this matter? I am happy that one of the boys whom I was interested in has been accepted for registration. He is D. Alexander.

Very truly yours,
Mindie H. Gray

Referred
to Mrs Mitchell

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

P.O. Box 721
High Springs, Fla.
Oct 3, 1939

Dean James A. Bonds
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr Bonds;

I am writing you in regards to William Henry Perry's enterence fees. At present I dont have the money, but if you will please extend the time you will be sure to get the money.
If satisfactory please tell me by return mail how long will you extend the time and if he will still be addmitted to Classes.
Thanking you in advance for your kindness, we are

his parents,
Mr & mrs Jodie Jones

Thanks dear
Feel free to try to
send the fees in
by Oct 15 since
our second month
opens on that
date

See Mrs. Mitchell

Box 402
Winter Haven, Fla.
Oct. I5, 1939

Dean James ~~A~~. Bond
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Sir:

I have not received a bill for Fredricka Geathers' tuition, but I understand it was due not later than the I6th of this month.

I am requesting that you please allow her to register for the second quarter this week, and I will send her money Wed. or Thursday of this week. I think I told you that I would be responsible for all of her bills; it happens that my first month ended on the I3th and I have not received my monthly salary; I expect it any day this week.

Thanks for any consideration you may give me concerning this matter.

Sincerely Yours,
Elmer D. Geathers
Elmer D. Geathers

Science Fee	1^{00}
Registration..	10^{00}
First Quarter Bal.	11^{00}

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.
Oct. 20, 1939

Dean J.R. Bonds
My Dear Sir:

After thinking the matter through that I discussed
with you and Mrs. Mitchel I have decided that I would
not like moving into the City if other Arrangement could
possibly be made. Though it would through me far be-
hind, I thought of this. If you would allow me to finish
my work for this quarter paying what I could possibly pay each
month and at the beginning of the 2nd quarter turn the rest
of the term into a work year including the summer sessions
if necessary and allow me to finish the 2nd quarter of
the coming term. Would you consider me alone this line
instead of the other. With the spot that I have looked
easily fit my self into something else as to make up for a
full work term. I have had experience in waiting tables,
dormitory work, because of physical weakness, that I could easily
explain to doctor or nurse, I would be unable to do heavy laundry
work. I am willing to do any other assignment that I
may get. I have appreciated all consideration given and I
am still very greatfully yours,

Angenora J. Goodman

no work
available

Sent

520-13th Avenue
Bradenton, Fla.
October 21, 1939

Dean James A. Bond
Bethune-Cookman
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Sir:

Will you be so kind to send me the following information concerning my brother, Toon Watson Mitchell:

I was under the impression that he was to pay only twenty-

s and ten dollars
books I won't have
y more until after
vember 15th.

I don't want him to
ve to stay out of class
he is a very sensitive
ild and the least
ing will destroy all
terest he has in school.

Thanks in advance for
e information and all
e consideration you
ill give me,

I remain
Yours very truly
(Miss) A. L. Mitchell

dollars and work the
other fees by doing some
campus jobs and that
would entitle him to
his first quarter tuition
On yesterday he wrote and
said he could not go to
classes on monday unle
he had $8.00 to pay board.

Dean, if he has to have
money for board every
month, will you let him
pay after the 15th of each
month because I am only
paid once a month and
since sending the twenty
dollars for his registratio

November 16, 1939

Miss Artie W. Richardson
Richardson Funeral Home
334 N. W. Tenth Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Miss Richardson:

I am returning your application for registration as an apprentice embalmer, also the one dollar in currency which you sent. I regret that I am unable to find record of high school graduation.

Very truly yours,

James A. Bond.

JAB:mg

cc: Mrs. B. L. Mitchell

COPY

Bond J.

DuBois Wm. EB

November 18, 1939.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 15.

We will be very happy to have a visit from you and your secretary, Miss Diggs. We should like for you to be the guests of Bethune-Cookman College and to plan to remain over for our Sunday afternoon Community meeting on November 26. If this is possible, please let me have a note from you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

James A. Bond, Dean.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
Daytona Beach, Florida

INTER OFFICE COMMUNICATION BLANK

Date November 27, 1939

To Dean Bond, Mr. Travis, Mr. Van Poole

From

Subject

Snow's Paint and Glass Company representative has offered us the service of the representative of the Pittsburgh Paint Company to give our boys in the special and repair projects, demonstrations in the use of various types of paints. If we will give the company two weeks notice at any time, they will be glad to have this man come out. We are to let them know just what projects we are working on, in order that the man may know what materials to bring with him.

B. L. Mitchell.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
Daytona Beach, Florida

INTER OFFICE COMMUNICATION BLANK

Date Dec 20 1939

To Dean Bond

From Wm D Travis

Subject Woodwork 101

I would like to have arrangements made with the Grow's Paint + Glass Co. to have one of their representatives here to demonstrate on Wed. Jan. 17, 1940 – 1:30 – 3:30 – Shop on

Varnishes on refinishing furniture

Stains and varnishes on small pieces of furniture, book troughs. Magazines racks flower stands and tables

How to use Shellac

Wm D Travis

January 19, 1940.

Community Meetings

Rev. W. Keith Chidester,
356 East New England Avenue,
Winter Park, Florida.

My dear Rev. Chidester;

Thank you very much for your letter of January 17th.

We are so happy to know that the members of your Young People's Service League will be with us for the Community Meeting on Sunday, January 21st. We hope that they will get here in ample time for the opening of the meeting at three o'clock. We will provide the group with guides to take them over all departments of the College.

We are greatly indebted to Prof. Clarke for his good words concerning the College.

Sincerely yours,

James A. Bond, Dean.

JAB-m

January 20, 1940.

Mrs. Rositta Baxter,
903 North Denillo Street,
Pensacola, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Baxter:

We regret to inform you of the fact that the Discipline Committee of Bethune-Cookman College, was called in session to act upon the case of your son, Aaron Tyrus, who came into the Dormitory on last Saturday evening in a state of great intoxication, and who used such indecent and profane language in the building that severe punishment had to be meted out to him. The Committee voted to suspend Tyrus from the College for an indefinite period. We are asking him to leave the campus on Tuesday, January 23rd, 1940.

Again, we express our deep regret that this action became necessary.

Sincerely yours,

James A. Bond, Dean.

2120 Davis Street
Jacksonville, Florida
February 24, 1940

Dean James A. Bond
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Dean Bond,

Will you please look up my record for the last eight years I taught at Bethune Cookman College, and fill out this TR-4 form on both sides for me?

We have to get this information in to the state as soon as possible. I don't know if they are going to count the years taught in schools outside of public schools but I am sending in all the years I've taught.

Mrs. Bertha Mitchell, Denniston, or Miss Thelma Nixon can give you any information concern-the record. I dont remember the salary changes and dates, but I was there eight or more years. I have sent in eight year as taught there.

Thanking you kindly for your assistance in helping me get this much needed data.

I am

Very truly yours,

(Mrs) Lucile J. Shopshire

P.S. I put in a few pencil notes to help out as best as I can remember. They are to be erased when the correct data is found from 1920 - 1928

OPEN FORUM SPEAKERS BUREAU

THE ACCREDITED AGENCY OF THE OPEN FORUM NATIONAL COUNCIL
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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
TELEPHONE HANCOCK 8239

LITTLE BUILDING, ROOM 1242
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

Referred to Dean Bond
(For checking with his records)

March 11, 1940.

Treasurer,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Sir:

We have been crediting your checks as received but find we are one short. I think it is the Harold Bennison bill that was not returned to us with your check.

There is, therefore, a balance still due us of $25. and we shall appreciate prompt remittance so that we may close our accounts for the current season.

I shall be most interested to have a report on the speakers,- which you liked best, any that you did not like, and why, etc. It would be most helpful.

For next year, it looks as though we might have some especially fine people for you. One or two of the very good professors at both Harvard and Smith College are interested in making the trip.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred C. Smith
Executive Secretary.

Bal. $10.00

Bal ~~[illegible]~~ $20.00

R. B. L. (apr.)

20.00
40.00

Charges Mar. 60.00
40.00
20.00

Paid

pd.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

George Lewis,
Warrington, Fla.
March 17, 1940.

Mrs Mitchell

OK BM

Office of:
James A. Bond
Dean-Registrar
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Dean Bond:

I am in receipt of your letter of March 14, 1940. Informing me concerning my daughter, Marjorie.

I'm not quite clear on the letter as in looking over the letter and the catalogue, the catalogue states that the entrance fee and tuition all total $40.00. I'm sending with Marjorie 40.00 with this understanding that if I still owe the $10.00, I will send it to your office. Let me hear from you very soon.

I am,

very truly yours,
George Lewis
Warrington, Fla.

March 23, 1940

Miss Eva K. Hamlin
570 Macon Street
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Miss Hamlin:

I am acknowledging receipt of your letter of March 14 to say that our faculty for the summer session is already made up. I am interested to know if you are available for work in the regular session.

Very truly yours,

James A. Bond.

JAB:mg

120 ROOMS
80 BATHS

EUROPEAN PLAN
ABSOLUTELY FIREPROOF

~~HOTEL THE~~LMA

~~GEO. M. CARR, MANAGER~~

LAKELAND, FLORIDA

$3.50

$6,000
.03
180.00

722 W. Orange St.
April 6 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

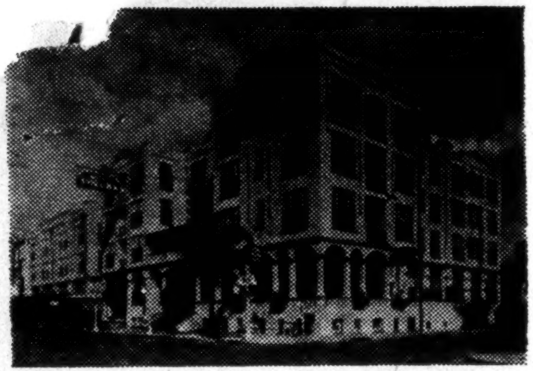
Dear Bond

Sir

Dear Sir:

I received a special delivery letter from Loreatha Glover this morning saying she had been taken from her classes, and she said she went to the office and Miss Nixon said she had not received a penny from me.

I sent you one letter containing a money order for $14.00 and another letter



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HOTEL THELMA
GEO. M. CARR, MANAGER
LAKELAND, FLORIDA

containing a money order for $10.00 both letters pleading to allow her to go to school and I would settle the whole Bill before school closed. I am holding receipts for all money I have sent. The last two receipts are dated for the latter part of March, but Miss Nixon said she had not received a penny.

Will you kindly look into this and see just what she owes. I can not send the balance before

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HOTEL THELMA
GEO. M. CARR, MANAGER
LAKELAND, FLORIDA

the 13th and if she is not allowed to attend her classes please let me know at once so can send for her. I do hope you will allow her to attend her Classes until the 13th. I will pay every nickel she owes before school closes

Please let me know about the balance. I will send the reciepts if you need them to straighten it out. Let me know if Loreatha is allowed to attend her Classes

Respectfully
yours
Ary Glover

Office of
Jas. A. Bond
Dean—Registrar

Student

apr 18, 1940

Bethune — Cookman College
Daytona Beach Florida

Hon Dean Bond dear sir.

on seeing your letter mar 14, 1940 concerning my daughter entering school third quarter. your letter stated she should bring $50.00 with her to include tuition. $20.00 enterence fee $20.00 + $10.00 on the first months room + Board. I looked in circular of infimations 1939—1940 on page 9 the Schedule of expences. and it states. third quarter mar 9 – apr 5.

$20.00. 7th month Room. Board. laundry.
$20.00 tuition. $40.00
apr 6 – may 31 $20.00 Eight month (Room Board laundry
may 4. may 31. $20.00
ninth month Room Board laundry.

on mar 17 I sent majoria Lewis.
my Daughter and $40.00 and a
letter inquiring about the Extra $10.00
I got no Reply till now. I am
trying to get this month Board. Room
mony to her. and I received this
letter. please look this up & oblige
George Lewis
Warrington. Fla

May 10, 1940

Miss Lovetta Walden
541 Elizabeth Avenue
Elizabeth, N. J.

Dear Miss Walden:

I have your letter of May 6 addressed to President Bethune. I regret that we are not in position to assist you in the way of securing a registration in an accredited nurshing school.

Very truly yours,

James A. Bond.

JAB:mg

COPY

June 11, 1940.

Dean James A. Bond,
Bethune-Cookman College.

Dear Dean Bond:

You will recall that Rev. Banks made request for the use of the College Bus for a trip to Key West, taking a large number of delegates to their District Conference there August 8-11, 1940.

We have withheld reply to this request, pending some investigation. Meanwhile, Rev. Bankston came in to state that this group would be willing to pay for the use of the Bus and asked that we make a quotation for its use. I told him that we had decided against sending the Bus out in the summer for three reasons, namely:

1 - We do not carry insurance on the Bus during the summer months, for the rates are so high that it would be foolish to carry such protection when the Bus is not in use.

2 - Prices for the use of the Bus during the summer are prohibitive, even if we had insurance coverage, because of the effect of the intense heat on the tires on long trips.

3 - In all probability, the Bus driver will be busy on the Repairs program, which will take all of our men, during late July and August.

However, Rev. Bankston insisted that the matter be reopened in Staff Committee, for he felt that we did not realize that they wanted to pay for the Bus - just as they would pay for a Florida Motor Line Bus. I find that Florida Motor Lines charges $318.00 for the use of one of the Buses for a trip to Key West for one week. Following your suggestion that Bus rent figures be fixed at Florida Motor Line rates, less 25%, we would have to charge this group $238.50, out of which we would have to buy gas and oil, purchase tires or tubes if ours were damaged, purchase enough liability and property damage insurance for one month to cover the maximum number of passengers to be carried, take care of the wages and expense of the driver, and take him away from the important work of repairs for one week.

All in all, I dont think the profit will be very much, even if they can pay $238.50 (and I dont think they can).

If you agree with me, I wish we might take official action on the matter and write Rev. Banks and Rev. Bankston, giving them similar reasons to these I have given, for keeping the Bus "at home" during the summer.

Very truly yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell.

Gen. Fundraising

April 3, 1941.

Rev. George O. Sumner,
251 Weaver Street,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Rev. Sumner:

Many additional contributions have been received for the "Special Spring Drive," since the date of the Community Dinner on the evening of March 20th. We desire to have you, as Treasurer of the Local Committee, to have the complete list of donations and donors. We enclose this list for your information and for your Committee files.

Official receipts have been sent to all organizations contributing, through their representatives. Acknowledgment cards are being sent to the individual donors who made the total amounts from organizations possible.

May we express, on behalf of the students, faculty and Boards of Bethune-Cookman College, our deep gratitude to you and all members of the local Committee, for this valuable service to our Institution.

Sincerely yours,

James A. Bond, Dean-Registrar.

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary-Treasurer.

1 enclosure